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REDS INVADE SOUTH KOREA

Defenders Suffer Heavy Casualties In Fighting CHIANG'S VISIT AWAITED

The North Korean Communist army started a three-pronged invasion across the 38th Parallel on Ongjin Peninsula this morning, according to fragmentary reports reaching the South Korean Army headquarters in Seoul.

Seoul, August 4.

STALIN'S PRICE FOR PEACE

New York, August 4. Premier Joseph Stalin had formulated a five-point "price for peace" with the United States including a treaty embodying the commitments of the Yalta and Potsdam conferences, it was reported last night in the "United Nations World" magazine, which has no official connection with the United Nations Organisation.

The magazine said the Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister, Andrei Gromyko, had a long American business man that Stalin considers the Yalta and Potsdam agreements as the "two cornerstones of Allied co-operation in the post-war period."

Quoting Mr. Gromyko, the magazine said: "The sum total of Premier Stalin's price for peace is this:

"Firstly, a treaty between the United States and the USSR formalising the commitments of both countries as set forth in the Yalta and Potsdam documents. As a supreme realist he wants this to include other countries of the West, including the United Kingdom and countries of Western Europe which he dismissed as negligible quantities.

On Germany

"Secondly, four-power unanimity of all questions concerning Germany. He will never give ground on this issue because he believes the restoration of Germany, promoted by either the East or West alone, is certain to lead to war.

"Thirdly, Western generosity on reparations for the USSR. While the Soviet Union urgently needs reparations in the kind which the Potsdam agreement earmarked for the East, Stalin regards this issue as a token of Western recognition of the Soviet Union's enormous blood-letting in World War II.

"Fourthly, immediate cessation of United States and United Kingdom support of 'subversive' Fascist and Hitlerite elements inside countries within the Soviet orbit as well as those who have gained admission to nations of the West.

"Fifthly, elimination of all discriminatory restrictions on the part of the United States and the resumption of normal trade relations to be stimulated by a \$2,000,000,000 loan on terms similar to that of the United States loan to Britain in 1946."

The Weather

At 0600 GMT (3 p.m. HKST) there is a deep depression over Siberia, another over Central China and a shallow centre over Tonkin. From the latter a broad and weak trough extends across N. China to the Marianas. A ridge from the Pacific anticyclone which has rooted Eastwards extends to Japan and the Eastern Sea.

Today's Forecast—Light S or SE winds. Unsettled with rain heavy at times.

Yesterday's Weather—Maximum 81.0 deg. Fah. Minimum 77.0 deg. Fah. Rainfall 22.5 mm. = 0.89 in. Total since Jan. 1—1255.0 mm. = 49.37 in. as against an average of 1844.3 mm. = 72.65 in.

Readings at 10 a.m. 4 p.m. Baro. at sea level 1007.2 1006.0 mm. Hg. Equiv. 30.14 29.71 inches. Rel. Humidity 78 75 % Wind Force 3 2 Wind Direction S by W E by N

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Radio contact was broken before noon, concealing the extent of the invasion. Heavy fighting broke out after an estimated 4,000 to 6,000 regular North Korean troops and border patrols attacked Republican border defences.

Ongjin Peninsula, scene of most of the recent border clashes, is 85 miles North-West of Seoul.

Within an hour of the opening of the attack reports said two full companies of South Korean forces had been "over-run and probably annihilated." The Communist attack the reports indicated, was launched under cover of heavy artillery and mortar fire. South Korean casualties were believed to be unusually heavy.

By mid-morning the regimental command post at Ongjin city, two miles South of the border, was under shelling. High ranking Korean Army officials and Brigadier General William Roberts, commander of the United States Military Advisory Group, conferred for several hours this afternoon on the situation.

The Communist attacks, the heaviest thus far, came as President Syngman Rhee awaited in the Southern naval base of Chinhae the arrival of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek who is expected tomorrow for the second round of talks on the Pacific anti-Communist pact.

Generalissimo Chiang is expected to fly to Seoul and then proceed by a smaller plane or train to the Southern tip of Korea.

Korean Army officers are attempting to determine whether the Communist attack was a bid for possession of isolated Ongjin Peninsula or a diversionary move designed to tempt President Rhee's army to draw upon forces in other areas to reinforce positions on the peninsula.

Defence Minister Shin Sung Mo last night a new drive by troops of Communist North Korea into the Ongjin peninsula had cost the Republic of Korea the support of 4,000 to 6,000 of the Northern border guards had come South at three points. He said that first reports that the South had lost three strong defence points near the 38th parallel proved untrue.

Ongjin town, largest community on the peninsula, was not immediately threatened by the new drive. In a similar move last May the people's regime in the North sent soldiers within six miles of Ongjin town and sought about one third of the rice producing peninsula under Red control.

Troop reinforcements sent to Ongjin by ship repulsed the Northern forces in June and the peninsula had been relatively quiet during July.

Basis For Talks

The traditional friendship between China and Korea and the spread of Communism in both countries can provide a starting basis for discussion between Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek and President Syngman Rhee, says Associated Press.

Norther, however, has said just what he expects to develop from their conferences to be held later this week.

Dr. Rhee has said he invited the Chinese leader to come to Korea to give Dr. Rhee a final report on China's recent discussions with President Elpidio Quirino of the Philippine Republic.

Dr. Rhee also has expressed the belief that all Pacific nations, both East and West, can and must form a solid front against Communism.

If talks move away from generalities, the two leaders may find each has something to offer the other.

the other besides mere encouragement. Some potent forces in the Republic of Korea are urging Dr. Rhee's Government to get ready to wrest North Korea from the Communist regime now control but it.

An offer by Chiang to supply air support, ammunition, and some protection against any movement across the Yellow Sea against Korea might get serious consideration. Lack of these things has supported the argument of those Korean officials who view an invasion of North Korea too risky to try.

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Red Drive Aimed At Kanchow

Canton, August 4. The Communist 14th and 18th armies are now fighting desperately in the areas between Wanan and Suichuan in an effort to thrust into Kanchow where a showdown battle is expected in the defence of Kwangtung and Canton, according to reports received today from the battle area.

Official reports indicated that Suichuan was still in Nationalist hands though the Communists had pressed forward.

A military spokesman denied there was any fighting in Putung and Fuyue and added that the Nationalist troops from West Hupha had taken back Samtaung, West of Jehang, after launching a counter-attack.

However, a Central News report confirmed the fall of Samtapping to General Lin Piao's troops again and said they were attempting to join the Communist forces in Tzekow for a combined attack on Putung.

Serious fighting was reported going on near Huhsien and Anjen. Communists from Changtse and Taoyun were said to be continuing their Southward drive in two columns, one from Yiyang toward Ningtang and Siangtan and the other from Yuanling toward Shaoyang, reaching as far as Anhu and Hupai.

Military observers here believed the Communists from North of the Canton-Hankow railway would join with General Liu Po-Cheng's 13th, 18th and 18th armies from Yuhien and Chaling in invading Hanyang from both sides.

Changsha Partly Occupied

Changsha, Hunan province capital, was partly occupied by Communist troops at 11 o'clock last night, according to reliable Chinese source here today, says Reuters.

No details were available this morning.

Radio-telephone communication between Canton and Changsha has been cut at the Canton end.

Commenting on a report that Changsha, the provincial capital of Hunan, had been occupied by the Communists, a Chinese military spokesman today said the Nationalist rear-guard forces were in the city up till last night.

He said that the Communist had captured Suichuan in South-eastern Kiangsi Province, about 100 miles South-East of Changsha.

He confirmed the occupation of Pingliang, in South East Kansu Province, North China, by the Communists. United Press and Reuters.

Commandos Leave Malta For HK



Ferries loaded with men of the Royal Marines 3rd Commando Brigade head for the troopship George in Valletta's Grand Harbour, Malta. The unit is being transferred from Malta to Hong Kong, where the advance party has already arrived. (AP Photo).

Anchises Docks In Kobe For Repairs

Kobe, August 4.

The British steamer Anchises docked here with a gaping 10-foot hole at the waterline amidships, received when she was bombed and strafed on June 21 and June 22 by Chinese Nationalist planes in the Whangpoo, seven miles below Shanghai.

Passengers, including four European and one American woman, Nila Stroup of San Diego, left the Anchises in Shanghai after the bombing.

Captain J. E. Watson, of Cork, conned the Anchises into Koko harbour at the end of a 3 1/2 day tow behind the seagoing tug Caroline Moller from Shanghai. The Anchises will probably go into Kawasaki Shipyard, near here, for repairs.

A Chinese Nationalist patrol ship met the Anchises near the mouth of the Yangtze, probably to conduct her through the mine fields. Later, HMS Hart joined the Anchises and the Chinese ship left. HMS Hart came close to the Japanese coast with the disabled vessel, but did not dock here. The Glen liner Glenlyon made the entire trip with the

Anchises to render aid in case of emergencies.

Captain Watson said two Chinese Nationalist P-15 Mustangs came over the Anchises on both June 21 and 22.

"One stayed above and the other came down and bombed and strafed each day," Captain Watson said. "On the first day the bomb missed and the second hit amidships at the waterline. Four men in the engine room were injured. A hole 10 feet in diameter, half of it below the waterline, was blown in the side of the ship. Then the plane came back and strafed with 50 calibre machine-gun fire."

Operation On Seaman

The Anchises was only a short distance ahead of the American President Lines' General Gordon when the first bombing occurred. The ship tied up and the wounded were treated in a Shanghai hospital. Crewmen injured were the fourth mate, two seamen and a electrician.

Next day the planes came again and both bombs missed, but another seaman was injured by machine gun strafing.

All the injured have completely recovered and are going about their duties, except Tom Edwards, aged 18, of Liverpool who is making his first sea trip.

Edwards received wounds in the leg, throat and side near the heart. A steel splinter remains in Edwards' body near his heart and will probably be taken out by an operation while the ship is here. Edwards is able to perform light duty and is working with the crew.

500-lb Bomb

Captain Watson said the Anchises was showing her regular markings and flags at the time of the bombings. Before starting from Shanghai for Kobe, huge British ensigns were painted on the foredeck of the Anchises as additional precaution while the ship is here.

Alex Simpson, of Birkenhead, Second Engineer, recovered a piece of bomb which crashed into the engine room while he was on duty. Simpson and others with wartime experience identified the bomb as a 500-pounder of either American or Canadian manufacture.

Andrew Eade, first electrician, of Glasgow, said he was on the main switchboard when the bomb hit and knocked out all the lights. "Like the others, he low, who were not injured in the engine room," Eade said, he was not aware the ship had been hit by a bomb until water pouring through a hole began splashing about. Associated Press.

Armed Robbers Loot Gold Shop

At 9.25 p.m. yesterday four men, armed with three pistols, entered the Tai Sun Gold Shop at 250 Queen's Road West, and escaped with jewels worth about \$80,000.

The armed robbers first disarmed the watchman and then went into the shop with a flour bag. Within three minutes, they had broken the glass panels inside the shop, put the jewels into the bag, and escaped in a car.

Shimoyama Case More Complicated

Tokyo, August 4.

Premier Shigeru Yoshida's Cabinet, it is reported, has ordered the police to conceal their findings that the late National Railway president, Sadanori Shimoyama, committed suicide rather than carry out the occupation policy.

The Conservative cabinet has insisted from the day of Shimoyama's mysterious death on a suburban railway track last month that he was murdered, probably by Communist workers whom the railway chief was required to dismiss under the General MacArthur ordered governmental economy drive.

The "Shimoyama case" has been one of the main biases for Yoshida's vigorous anti-Communist offensive.

Responsible members of the police investigating team which worked on the case said a finding of suicide was to have been announced yesterday but was held up by a last-minute call from the Tokyo police chief who in turn is said to have received orders from the cabinet.

The police chief, Eichi Tanaka, told reporters that his orders came from the occupation headquarters, but this was official denied today and discounted by Japanese reporters covering the story. United Press.

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AMETHYST CAPTAIN'S OWN STORY

(Exclusive To The "China Mail")

The following is an exclusive story to the "China Mail" by Lieutenant-Commander John S. Kerans, DSO, Captain of HMS Amethyst. In it, Commander Kerans describes his fruitless talks with Colonel Kang Mao-chao on the release of Amethyst, and the thrilling escape from Communist waters.

In Nanking, I was Assistant Naval Attaché; on April 21 I was ordered to proceed to the Chinkiang area to find the whereabouts of wounded naval men who were supposed to be in that area.

Of course, at this time, I little suspected the incredible things that were going to happen in the next four months. When I arrived in the Chinkiang area I found out that there were no wounded men in that area; I then proceeded, with the help of Chinese Naval officers, to determine the position of Amethyst.

I walked more than 15 miles that night, and ran into 18 wounded naval men from Amethyst, whom I took in charge and put on the last train to Nanking before the Communists arrived.

After I had sent the wounded to Nanking, it became apparent to me that there could be no more executive officers on board Amethyst, and after consulting Nanking with the help of Chinese Naval personnel, I was ordered to go on board Amethyst.

The Chinese Navy supplied me with an LST, and when I boarded Amethyst, I found First Lieutenant Weston, and ordered him to go ashore.

He was badly wounded. If I had not done this, there is no doubt that Lieutenant Weston would have died.

My first order on Amethyst was to move the ship, downstream to, as I thought, avoid further fire from the Communist forces; but shortly after I started downstream, additional shelling forced me to return to my original position near Rose Island.

That was to be our position for the next 101 days. In fact, it was very fortunate that we did not take up position further downstream, because both ahead of us, and behind us were rain-crossing points on the Yangtze, and if we had taken position in one of them while the Communists were making their crossing, Amethyst would probably have been destroyed on the spot.

After several days of tense waiting, keeping most of the men on duty hour after hour, seven men on shore called to the ship, and apparently wanted to talk with us.

I only had one damaged whaler; I sent a volunteer crew with a petty officer in charge.

When they returned, they told me that the ship would not be fired on if we didn't move.

My second in command (K.S. Hett) aged 22, went with the next land party and contacted Colonel Kang Mao-chao, Political Commissioner of the Chinkiang area, who was the battery Commander.

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Reuter.

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Both of these ratings were approached time and again by Kang and his officers to admit that Amethyst had fired first, but to their everlasting credit, they refused.

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These demands formed the basis of my dealings with Kang during our 11 meetings. In other words, Kang was endeavouring to force me to admit, with damaging results to the British nation, something which he himself knew to be false.

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Army Inspects Jockey Club



Army representatives inspected the Jockey Club at Happy Valley (shown above) yesterday for possible requisitioning. A decision whether or not the place is suitable for military requirements has not yet been made. Should the Army take over the building, it will be for only a short period as the half yearly race meetings are due to start next month.—"China Mail" Photo.

KAI TAK TOPICS

Mr. Spencer Beman, attaché of the American Embassy in Manila, arrived in the Colony yesterday.

Mr. Beman is on a tour visiting the consulate and embassies in Batavia, Buitenzorg, Bangkok and Hong Kong. He will stay here for a few days and then go on to Bangkok.

Mr. Whiting Willauer, Vice-President of CAT, arrived from Canton yesterday.

Two more BOAC flying boats, bringing in parties of six and eight children from Southampton arrived at Kai Tak yesterday.

The children on holiday are Messrs S.T. Siriven, J.J. Arnold, D. Kibister, G. Waller, D. H. McInnes, H. S. McInnes, H. H. McInnes, A. G. Wells, B. D. Wells, Stoker, and Brittain Evans. Misses Mona Tong, N. Lewis, and R. Lewis.

Colonel M. S. Mansell and Colonel D. V. Burridge arrived from the United Kingdom yesterday by BOAC.

Photographs For Annual Report

The Government yesterday invited the public to send the Colonial Secretary photographs suitable for inclusion in the 1949 Annual Report on Hong Kong.

Judges appointed by the Government will choose a maximum of 15 photographs from those provided.

A first prize of \$100, second prize of \$50 and third prize of \$25 will be awarded to the senders of the three best prints. A free copy of the Report will be sent to the owner of any photograph which is printed in the Report.

Copyright of all photographs printed will vest in the Government, but the name of the photographer will be acknowledged in the Report.

Photographs should illustrate some aspect of the Colony's life; for example, general views including views of the harbour or the New Territories, views showing the industrial development of the Colony, men and women working in their trades in factories or out of doors, street scenes, scenes illustrating typical problems such as housing or hawkers difficulties, public buildings, portraits and distinctive costumes, celebrating such as dragon boat festivals, night scenes, harbour scenes, etc.

Prints should be about eight inches by 10 inches in size and on glossy paper. They will not be returned to the owner whether or not they are chosen. The sender's name and address and brief description of the scene should be written on the back. Negatives should not be sent. Any person may enter as many photographs as he likes.

Entries should be sent to the Colonial Secretary, Colonial Secretariat, Hong Kong, not later than September 15.

JAP RIFLE CONFISCATED

On the application of the prosecution, Mr. F. X. d'Almada granted the confiscation of a Japanese rifle which was stored at the Arms Office on June 28, 1948.

The rifle was stored there by Chon Fat-chung, whose address, it was stated, could not be located.

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Forged Sweep Ticket Case Dismissed

The case against Tsui Tung and his wife, who were charged with demanding money on a forged ticket from the Hong Kong Jockey Club, was dismissed by Mr. F. X. d'Almada at Central yesterday.

In discharging the case, Mr. d'Almada said that there was strong evidence in defendant's favour. Defendants had gone to the Hong Kong Jockey Club three times with their mother and brothers, and had been seen by a neighbour to be in a jubilant mood.

Mr. d'Almada also said that the defendant's statement taken of the second accused after she had been put into custody showed that the prosecution had not been satisfied with the facts of the case.

Tsui Tung, master of the Tung Chong Building Contractor, 30 D'Aguilar Street, and his wife were charged with having intention to defraud Mr. Vincente Sauter of the Hong Kong Jockey Club by producing a forged "Lantau Handicap" race ticket. Defendants were arrested on May 27.

During yesterday's hearing, Miss Delcie Silver, who lives in the same building as the two defendants at 39 Wyndham Street was called as witness. She said that sometime between the "Lantau Handicap" race and defendants' arrest, she had on one occasion noticed great laughter and joy among defendants. She saw the defendants laughing and struggling over a piece of paper.

In Good Faith

Mr. A. El Arculli, representing defendants, then addressed the court. He said that defendants had been charged with demanding money on a forged ticket, while knowing the same to be forged. All that was in the case was that defendants went into the Jockey Club for registration, and not for money.

They first went there on Monday, and were requested to go there again on Wednesday. They were then again requested to go at 11 a.m. The whole family had gone there. They stood there in good faith, believing themselves to be ticket-winners, and showed the attitude and bearing of innocent people.

They Spliced The Main Brace

"We spliced the main brace sir," said Clifford Bosley of HMS Jamaica when he appeared before Mr. F. X. d'Almada at Central yesterday on charges of taking a private car without the owner's permission and with behaving in a threatening manner.

His companion, Lawrence Duckworth, of the same ship, was charged with taking a private car without the consent of the owner.

Sub-inspector J. Hayward said that shortly before 11 p.m. on Wednesday night defendants were seen entering a car parked outside the Star Ferry. Five coolies were pushing the car at the time.

This was seen by a police sergeant who chased them to the Naval Dock Yard. First defendant was aggressive and with the help of two Dockyard policemen they were arrested.

First defendant told the court that he could not remember what he was doing as he had been celebrating the arrival of HMS Amethyst.

Defendants were cautioned by the magistrate and bound over in the sum of \$100 for one year.

No Confirmation Of Reports Of Shanghai Riot

A Foreign Office spokesman said today that no confirmation had yet been received in London of Hong Kong reports that Chinese crowds had mobbed the British Consulate in Shanghai.—Reuter.

Romulo Optimistic Over Pacific Pact

Manila, August 4.

The Ambassador to the United Nations, Mr. Carlos P. Romulo, today expressed optimism over prospects of the projected Pacific Union as outlined by President Elpidio Quirino, and disclosed he will soon contact opposition political leaders in an effort to win non-partisan national support of the proposal.

Mr. Romulo said he had already formulated plans to carry out the instructions contained in Mr. Quirino's letter to him last night, but he was not yet ready to announce them. He likewise said he was not yet in a position to enumerate the countries which would be invited to join the Union.

The United Press learned, however, that invitations to prospective member states probably would be delivered through the ambassador of those states in Washington.

An informed diplomatic source said with regard to prospective members that Japan at present "does not yet enter the Pacific Union picture."

Mr. Romulo said he already had in mind the persons he would invite to help him prepare a blueprint of the proposed Union and intended to name them. Mr. Romulo now is being assisted in his Pacific Union work by Mr. Salvador P. Lopez, political adviser to the Philippine mission to the United Nations, and two other members of his staff who came here with him.

It was learned that Mr. Romulo had already undertaken the necessary research in connection with the Pacific Union before he came here at Mr. Quirino's behest and is confident that a blueprint will be ready for presentation to prospective member states.

Mr. Romulo said he would return to New York about the end of this month.

Two Parts

Mr. Romulo pointed out that Mr. Quirino's instructions were divided into two parts: firstly, a long-range objective of welding together Asiatic and Pacific peoples in an economic, political and cultural union; and secondly, asking Asiatic and Pacific countries if they are willing to meet in a conference in Manila.

Mr. Romulo said he could not say how the country could oppose the union, but he said he was confident that the union would be successful.

Chinese Letter

It was reliably learned today that the Chinese Ambassador, Dr. Chen Chih-ping, has sent a letter to President Quirino requesting information on what had been done by the Philippine government to implement the agreement reached in the Quirino-Chiang Kai-shek conference in Baguio last month.

Observers noted that while President Quirino and Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek had agreed to a local industrial union, the Philippine government had not yet taken any steps to implement the agreement.

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Hong Kong Opens Its Heart To Amethyst Men

Amethyst Lads Tell The Folks At Home

The Hong Kong-London Radio Telephone service was fully monopolized yesterday by members of Amethyst's ship's company giving the British Broadcasting Corporation stories of their personal experiences. The talks are to be broadcast.

Reds Vent Rage Over Amethyst

As long as the British Government exists, the Chinese people must insist on enquiring into the question of the responsibility of the Amethyst incident and bring Amethyst to book, said the Communist newspaper, "Hong Kong Post," printed in Hong Kong.

Quoting the Hong Kong Post, the Communist newspaper said: "The Amethyst incident, which culminated in the loss of defence of our army and shelter at on April 20, and another serious crime on July 31, when the ship attacked and sank the Chinese merchant ship 'Kwangtung' and then covered its tracks by the sinking of several other vessels."

"When an army is attacking, it is the duty of the government to make good its escape."

"She was established by the late King George VI and the British Prime Minister for her courage."

"In the words of General Sun Chien-shan, Commander of the Chinese fleet, the Chinese people will never forget this ship and will never forget the Amethyst incident."

"The case of Amethyst teaches the Chinese people that any one imperialist nation is just as horrible, hypocritical and base as any other."

"The communists issued by the British Foreign Office and the British Admiralty on July 31, are typical examples of hypocritical documents."

"This incident has wrought upon the Chinese people an impression of the British Government from the Shanghai Incident of 1925 and the Whampoa Incident of 1926."

"American imperialism is now eating the evil fruit of its erroneous China policy, and there is no exception to the general rule in the case of the British imperialism."

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Warning To Mariners

Mariners are being warned by the Marine Department of two danger spots in the sea lanes used by river shipping.

An unmarked wreck of the recently wrecked British motor vessel Tai Tung is reported to be lying in mid channel between Cheung Chau Island and Adam's Peak, causing a danger and obstruction to navigation.

The Director of Marine notices mariners that the channel is closed to all shipping until further notice.

The Commissioner of the Chinese Maritime Customs, Taipei, has informed the Director of Marine that the character of the lights at South Cape of Taiwan (Garanbi) No. 380 in the List of Lighthouses, light vessel, buoys, beacons, etc., on the coast and rivers of China, 1949, will be changed on or about August 15 to one flash every 10 seconds, that is, one second, light and nine seconds dark.

This notice is served as a navigation warning to mariners.

DINNER DANCE FOR AMETHYST

A dinner and gala dance in honour of the officers and men of HMS Amethyst will be held in the European YMCA this evening. The dinner will start at 7 p.m. and the dance at 9 p.m. The RAF dance band will be in attendance.

Hospitality including dances, luncheons, dinners, suppers, picnics, cinema shows and other entertainment has been offered by Hong Kong residents to the 73 heroes of HMS Amethyst.

Hundreds of offers of hospitality have been received by the Fleet Recreation Officer from individuals, restaurants, firms and institutions. The hosts include British, American and Portuguese nationals.

In addition, gifts and cheques have been sent by companies and individuals for the welfare and entertainment of the men.

Among those who sent cheques are the Taitong Dockyard and the Pacific Air Maintenance and Supply Company. Among the donors of gifts are the British-American Tobacco Company and Lane Crawford.

Yesterday, 30 Amethyst men were guests of the Kowloon Rotary Club at a luncheon at the Peninsula Hotel. Last night the first of a series of three dinners were given by Jimmy's Kitchen. It was arranged that four Amethyst men attend each of the three.

At present the 30 men are staying at the Club Hotel. Club shows are on at the Club Hotel. The four officers who were with the Amethyst during her 120 days' detention by the Communists are staying at the Gloucester Hotel.

It was learned yesterday that some invitations to Amethyst men were being made.

The second concert by the newly organized Kowloon Gramophone Society will take place at 8.15 p.m. tomorrow at the Diocesan Boys' School. The inaugural concert was held last Saturday.

The Chairman, Mr. R. Perry, introduced by Mr. Paul du Toit, moved a vote of thanks to Mr. du Toit for his previous work in organizing the Society's concerts, which were heartily responded to by the audience.

Continuing, Mr. Perry specified the (unlimited) Entrance fee (\$5), monthly subscription (\$1), and all members to attend all meetings and concerts and to receive the weekly programmes in advance. Members of the Society will automatically be made Honorary Members, giving them the same privileges at no cost to themselves, but the programmes will cost them 10 cents per copy.

It had been suggested that a representative from each of the three Services should join the Committee, and later L. A. C. Saxby and Lance-Corporal Underwood were appointed.

The programme, produced by Mr. Brittain, with well-devised notes by Mr. Henry, ARCO, contributed much to the enjoyment of the music that followed.

Mrs. Brittain, Mrs. Goldstein, and Mr. A. King, have joined the Committee.

The School is adjacent to No. 8 bus route (Argyle St.) and No. 1 & 8 (Prince Edward Road), alighting by the railway bridge in each case.

The programme for tomorrow is as follows: Tchaikovsky March, Berlioz, Concerto No. 2, Rachmaninov, Enigma Variations, Elgar, Symphony No. 6, Beethoven.

Persons well informed of Korea's military situation would hardly expect Dr. Rhee to offer to open the second front against Chinese Communists. The Republic would have to be almost certain that the Chinese Communists would keep out of the fight before making a move against the North.

But if the Republic could extend its authority to Korea's natural boundaries on the North the psychological effect might assist the hard-pressed Chinese Nationalists. Peasant riots already have been reported in Manchuria.

A Korean victory over the Communist North might create further trouble for the Communist regime across the Yellow Sea.

Few Korean or American observers expect the talks to go this far. Dr. Rhee, however, an able bargainer for what he thinks his country needs is a white-hot opponent of Communism, and it is not impossible that he would explore such matters.

Bowing to the request of Chinese officials for secrecy, the Korean Government has announced only that "distinguished guests from a neighbouring country" will meet President Rhee.

A few newspapers which speculated today that the guest would be Chiang Kai-shek, were warned by the Public Information Department to print only the official announcement.

United Press and Associated Press, and other news agencies, were also warned.

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Kowloon Gramophone Society

To Tour Brewery

Today, 30 men will leave the ship to tour the Peninsula Brewery at Castle Peak in the New Territories.

In the evening, two dances—one at the European YMCA, Kowloon, and one at the YWCA, Macdonnell Road—will be held to entertain other members of Amethyst.

The entire company of HMS Amethyst has been invited to visit the City at North Point where the newly arrived American Olympic Swimming Team will give an aquatic exhibition.

Two beach picnics have been arranged for Amethyst men by the Dairy Farm. Two separate groups of 20 men each will be entertained at Shek-O tomorrow and at the 11.5-mile beach in the New Territories on Sunday.

On Sunday, a further group of 20 men will be entertained at the Kowloon Bowling Green Club.

On Monday, the British Legion and the Hong Kong Cricket Club will have a musical "at home" for the gallant 69 men of Amethyst.

The residents who have extended hospitality will also be invited to attend. This will give them an opportunity to meet their future guests. The Band of HMS Belfast will in attendance.

The Catholic Club is an arrangement to entertain the men on August 14.

Sentenced For Theft

Ho Yan, aged 30, was charged before Mr. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon yesterday with larceny of a brief case and a breach of deportation order.

He pleaded guilty and was sentenced to one year and nine months imprisonment with hard labour.

The brief case which had contained important documents, belonged to Sir Leslie H. Boyce of the United Kingdom Delegation of China.

It was lost on December 12, 1946, when Sir Leslie left the brief case in his car while shopping in Queen's Road.

Defendant said the brief case for \$15 to another person who was later arrested and convicted for receiving stolen property.

On the night of July 18, defendant was arrested by police who were on duty for formation. He was arrested in Uxbridge.

Defendant had four previous convictions and he was also deported from the Colony.

The wife, Lui Ah-chai, of 143 Nanchang Street, second floor, brought the claim against Fung Yau-hung, concubine, of 181 Tung Choi Street, second floor.

Plaintiff claims to be the sole executrix named in the last will of deceased dated June 4, 1946. She further sought to have the will established.

The concubine in her statement of defence on the other hand denied that the plaintiff was appointed under any will as executrix. She claimed that Young died on June 19, 1943 and not on June 10, 1946, as stated by plaintiff.

In the event of any such will being produced by the plaintiff, defendant maintains, such a will is a forgery or in the alternative, invalid and improperly executed.

Counter-Claim

Defendant entered a counter-claim that she was the sole executrix appointed by the deceased. She asked the Court to decree probate of the will so drafted, and costs of the litigation.

The plaintiff was represented by Mr. Percy Chen instructed by A. S. K. Lau and Company, Mr. A. J. Clifford instructed by Mr. Young and Partners.

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Amethyst Men Make Merry



Forty personnel of HMS Amethyst were entertained at lunch by the Kowloon Rotary Club at the Peninsula Hotel yesterday. ("China Mail" Photo).

Kowloon Rotarians Pay Tribute To Amethyst Heroes

Rotarians of the Kowloon Club turned up in force yesterday to pay tribute to the boys of HMS Amethyst, guests of honour at the weekly luncheon of the Kowloon Rotary Club.

Mr. Elmer Chu, President of the club, made the official welcome address, supported by Rotarians in rounds of lusty cheers. And as Rotarian A. A. Dand, the club's Vice President put it: "We're damned proud of you!" when proposing the toast to Amethyst.

Coxswain Leslie Franks of Amethyst, replied on behalf of the gallant ship, thanking KRC for their welcome. "We have kept the flag flying on the Yangtze, and we'll keep it flying in Hong Kong," he said amid cheers and applause.

Invited and present at the luncheon also was "Peggy," the ship's pet dog. One Rotarian interrupted Mr. Chu's welcome of the boys. This Rotarian said: "Mr. President, you welcomed the men of HMS Amethyst, what about Peggy?"

Mr. Chu included Peggy as the gathering applauded loudly, joined in by Peggy herself, jumping and barking merrily in the luncheon room of the Peninsula Hotel. At the suggestion of another Rotarian, Peggy was provided with a special plate with the complete course.

Simon Stays Away
Simon, the ship's cat was also invited. But apparently, Simon had closer his own way of spending his leave.

Speaker of the luncheon was Dr. C. T. Wang who gave a stirring discourse on the Spirit of Rotary.

Dr. Wang proceeded his speech with a tribute to the honoured guests.

"It is an honour indeed," he said, "as well as luck on my part to be addressing the Rotary Club today, in company of these heroic men of HMS Amethyst."

The travelling expenses of the supervisors and workers are paid from the US\$30,000 grant-in-aid made to the programme by the Chinese and American Joint Commission on Rural Reconstruction, JCRF, funds for the Taiwan programme come from the sales proceeds of RCA commodities brought into the island under the American China Aid programme.

The land rent reduction programme provides that no tenant shall pay more than 37.5 per cent of his main crop as rent to the landowner. As the first step to enforce this practice new contracts were signed by tenants and landowners throughout Taiwan before June 30.

The investigators, checking both landowners and tenants for infringements of the new law have found some cases of intimidation of tenants by landowners and other failures to recognise the law such as refusal to pay rent as provided in the contracts. Several landowners have been arrested and others induced by stern warnings to obey the law. One mayor has been replaced for not carrying out the programme and the chief of a helen land bureau recommended for dismissal.

The four more private premises were requisitioned by the Quartering Authority yesterday for the Army. They included Moller's bungalow "Annandale" Dodwell's bungalow, Butterfield and Swires bungalow, and Sir Robert Ho Tung's farm all at Fanling.

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Reminders

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HMS Amethyst personnel Swimming, gain-dinner-dance, at European YMCA, 7 p.m.

Light Orchestra, Singers, rehearsal, St. John's Cathedral hall, 7 p.m.

Flood Relief Bazaar, Tung Wah Hospital.

Special Aquatic Exhibition by American Olympic Swimming Team for Amethyst heroes, at the Ritz, 6 p.m.

Special Dance for Amethyst personnel, at YWCA, Macdonnell Road.

Coming Events

TOMORROW

European YMCA, swimming picnic, at Silverstrand beach, 2.30 p.m.

Recorded classical concert at Diocesan Boys' School for Forces, 8.15 p.m.

League Lawn Bowls matches, CCC, PRC, HKFC, Taikeo, KCC, KBGC, Recreation.

Special Picnic at Shek-O for Amethyst personnel, given by Dairy Farm.

SUNDAY

The H. Classical Concert, 50, Macdonnell Road, 8.45 p.m.

Beach Picnic, by European YMCA, at Silverstrand Beach, 2.30 p.m.

Special Picnic at 11.5-mile beach, New Territories for Amethyst personnel, by Dairy Farm.

Ten unemployed Chinese men were charged at Kowloon yesterday with committing criminal intimidation and with possessing firearms.

They were: Wong Hui-pak, aged 45, Chan Hop-kuen, aged 35, Choi Hop-yeo, aged 24, Leung Kau, aged 32, Lai Wing-fuk, aged 32, Choi Ting-kai, aged 30, Tung Kwong, aged 25, Chung Hong-chung, aged 24, Yeung Kau-hei, aged 40 and Shuen Pak, aged 28.

Originally there were 12 defendants. At a previous hearing two defendants, Tang Wan-pui, aged 31, and Chung Tip, aged 23, were discharged by the court.

Charges against the 10 defendants are as follows: Wong Hui-pak, Chan Hop-kuen, Choi Hop-yeo, Choi Ting-kai, Chung Hong-chung and Yeung Kau-hei, each charged with possessing some fishermen on Sokos island from fishing in adjacent waters. They also threatened the fishermen by means of firearms on or about December 20, 1948.

They were also charged with having in their possession one rifle and three revolvers on the same island on or about December 20, 1948.

The fourth defendant, Leung Kau, was also charged with the two charges but each on two counts.

Sixth and eighth defendants, Lai Wing-fuk and Tung Kwong, were both charged with possession of arms whereas the 12th defendant was only charged with committing criminal intimidation.

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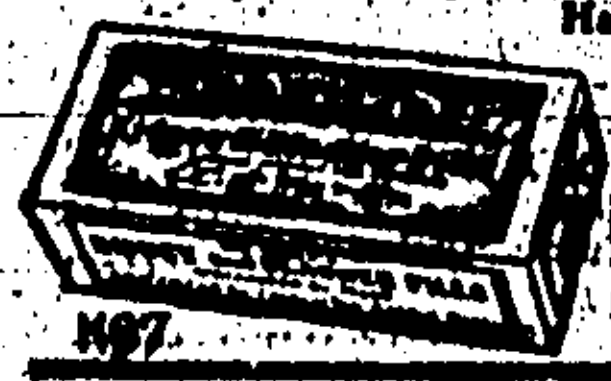
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MARINE DEPARTMENT NOTICE NO. 31 OF 1949.

FOR INFORMATION OF SHIP OPERATORS AND CHARTERERS.

It is hereby notified that Tuesday, 2nd August, 1949, has been declared a Weather-non-working Day.

N. GARLAND, Actg. Director of Marine. Marine Office, Hong Kong, August 3, 1949.

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Chen-Yu Wedding



A reception was held at Cafe de Chine yesterday after the wedding of Mr. Wesley W. C. Chen and Miss Nancy T. Y. Yu. The couple are shown above.—Francis Wei's Studio.

Tientsin Conditions Said Deteriorating

"Prices of commodities in Tientsin have gone up five times during the past four months," crew members of the British vessel, ss. Hupei which returned here yesterday from Tientsin, revealed to the "China Mail" yesterday.

An egg which cost about five Peoples' Banknotes four months ago cost 25 PBN (Peoples' Banknotes) when the B. & S. vessel was there, about July 26.

Many Tientsin residents wish that the Nationalists will return to that city again as at present business in Tientsin is at a standstill. Apart from those things, the Chinese crew members said, everything else in Tientsin is nearly the same as in the old days. Of course Tientsin did not have so many motor cars as before but pedicabs were gradually making progress in business.

The Hupei which had left the Colony around the early part of July was in Tientsin for about three or four days. During her stay in the Communist-held port, the crew were permitted to land and to their surprise, they found that the Chinese Communists have abolished all their former complicated procedure of entering for passengers. Instead, the Tientsin guard at the entrance of the pier alongside which the vessel was tied. Everyone leaving the ship must give his name to the guard and on his return, the guard would strike out his name from the list.

Other Vessels

The sailors recalled that during their stay in Tientsin they saw another vessel tied alongside a wharf near Tientsin's Bund. They recalled that the vessel flew a Norwegian flag but they could not remember her name.

While coming out of Tientsin, the crew said they saw quite a few ocean-going vessels anchored outside Taku Bay. "They seemed to be flying the Stars and Stripes," the seamen said.

The Hupei brought here about 100 passengers mostly Chinese. Among the passengers, there were about 10 Europeans including two Russians, Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Conopolsky.

The ship also brought here about 1,000 tons of general cargo mostly native products of Tientsin and surrounding areas.

Her arrival here was delayed due to a typhoon which she had encountered when she was about one day's journey out of Tientsin.

For about 24 hours she was enveloped in the typhoon in the Gulf of Chihli. However, aside from a few bottles of liquor which had been damaged due to the terrific rolling of the ship there was no damage done to the vessel.

The B. & S. vessel is now berthed at 25 buoy but she will move to the Taku Docks for repairs on Sunday.

DONATIONS

The following are the latest donations to The St. John's Centenary Appeal: Mrs. Irene Blum (in memory of Betty) \$50, Mrs. W. Hummel \$50, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Kwik \$100, Miss P.A. Arton \$5, Mr. and Mrs. K.H. Soane \$10, Mr. G.S.P. Heywood \$20, Mr. K.M.A. Barnett \$20, Messrs. Geo. Palmer and Co. (H.K.) Ltd. \$50, M.S. Wong \$100, F.H. Brett Hanna \$100, Mrs. Gibson \$20, Royal Intercolonial Lines \$2,500, Chinese Optical Co. \$50, Island Paint Co. \$25, Messrs. Leish and Orange \$500, Messrs. Bodwell and Co. Ltd. \$1,000, J.N. Motherwell \$100, Dr. and Mrs. Arthur W. Woo \$200, Mr. and Mrs. H.H.H. Priestley \$500, Teh-Hu Sunfuk Co. Ltd. \$250.

The undermentioned are the latest donations to The Union Church Rebuilding Fund: Previously acknowledged \$58,602 Miss A. Smith 10 Mrs. H.B. White 100 Hong Kong Electric Co. Ltd. 2,500 Chinese Optical Co. 50 Total \$61,352

Shop-Foki Convicted Of Theft

Charged with larceny by servant of \$1,770, Wong Hui-shun, shop-foki, aged 22, was sentenced by Mr. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon yesterday to four months' imprisonment with hard labour.

Wong was additionally charged with giving false information to police officers. He was additionally fined \$350 or two months' imprisonment with hard labour.

Facts against defendant were that on July 31, defendant was sent by his master to collect a sum of \$7,363.20 from a customer. When defendant returned to his store, he told the master that his pocket had been picked by someone while riding on a bus, and as a result the \$1,770 were lost.

The master then took defendant to a police station where defendant reported his case to the police, who suspected that defendant's story was untrue. After further questioning by the police, defendant admitted that he had stolen the money and that, except for a sum of \$1,000 which he had hidden in his bank in the morning, the remaining money which he had stolen had been lost in a mahjong game.

Defendant had been employed by the Sang Tung Hing Pig Dealers' Store for more than three years.

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SEE THROUGH HIS TRAP SOME of the most deeply-laid plans of mice and men may be figured out by those who are taken pretty keen thinking to go through the traps set by some very cleverly. They get into a contract which is unbreakable except by enticing their opponents into making a particular mistake. To avoid doing just what they wish requires keeping your wits about you and weighing every particle of evidence bearing on the subject.

South, who had bid his own hand peculiarly with two club calls before his diamonds, showed lots of confidence in North when he eventually raised the spades to game. The three successive bids of that suit indicated at least six-card length, but also lack of honour strength.

When East led the Q of his partner's diamonds, West covered with the K and the A won, North then led to the club A and

on the K and Q discarded the diamond 4 and 5. Nothing that the three club counts made dummy's 7 the high card of the suit, he led it. West fell for that and ruffed high, with his spade K. That was the first trick he lost, and thereafter he couldn't drop more than two to the major suit aces, so made his contract.

If West had been on his toes when the club 7 was led, he would have ruffed with his spade 2. That would have beaten the contract. If North had over-ruffed, he would still have had to lose two spades, a heart and a diamond. If he had discarded a diamond, letting West have the trick, he would still have had to lose two tricks to top spades, plus the heart A. West should have read that East had the spade A, for if North held it in addition to the diamond A already shown, he would have bid more strongly than with three minimum spade calls.

Tomorrow's Problem

S A 9 4
J A J 4
D 5
C K 10 7 6 4 3
S K J 7 6
H Q 9 7
D A Q 8
C Q 8 5
S 8
H K 6 5 3 2
D K 10 7
C A J 9 2
(Dealer: North. Both sides vulnerable).

What factor makes the heart suit dangerous for trump on this deal?

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Across
1 Fascination. 20 Irregular.
4 Clans. 22 Observed.
8 Quantity. 23 Oriental.
10 Sotto-voce remark. 27 Card game.
12 Required. 28 Tender.
14 Poster. 30 Complete.
17 Attendant. 31 Vehement speech.
19 Cattle thief. 32 Follow.

Down
1 Clutch. 13 Teach.
2 Scent. 15 Learning.
3 Delicious food. 16 Opportunity.
5 Peruse. 18 Equipment.
6 Wedding-feast. 20 Rejuvenate.
7 Meat pie. 21 Jacket.
9 Dog. 22 Send out.
11 Seven. 23 Relative.
musicians. 28 Fetched.

Yesterday's Crossword
ACROSS:—3 Sleepers, 8 Heap, 9 Amazing, 11 Carriage, 12 Seat, 15 Vigilant, 18 Entrance, 19 Seem, 21 Retained, 28 Repaired, 29 Port, 27 Military.
DOWN:—1 Chic, 2 Pair, 4 Duty, 6 Lame, 7 Easy, 8 Exile, 7 Slight, 9 Aisle, 10 Agony, 12 Agile, 14 Cycle, 18 Anger, 17 Tread, 19 Strum, 20 Appal, 31 Rift, 22 Tear, 23 Loot, 24 Duty.

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Governor To Head Guests At Queen's Gala Performance

The Governor, Sir Alexander Grantham and Lady Grantham, who watched the "shooting" of one scene in the film at the Yung Hwa Studios, will head a distinguished list of guests at the performance of "The Sins of Our Fathers" which opens at the Queen's Theatre on Tuesday. Yung Hwa film will run concurrently at the Alhambra Theatre in Kowloon.

Also at the gala performance at the Queen's which will take place at 9.30 p.m., will be the Regimental Band of the Buffs and two of Yung Hwa's starlets—Misses Chow Hsin-yeh and Chen Lin-hsia—who have consented to act as usherettes to the distinguished list of guests.

A stirring story of the fabulous Lolo tribes, which inhabit the mountain fastnesses on the Szechwan, Yunnan and Sikkim border, this Yung Hwa production is meant to be a vehicle for all races, though the dialogue is in Mandarin.

Directed by Richard Pohl of "Sins of China" fame, "The Sins of Our Fathers" brings to the screen for the first time a story about one of the most remote of China's minority tribes. Filmed under the actual supervision of a Lolo tribesman, who spent about one month on the sets, "The Sins of Our Fathers" portrays many little-known tribal customs and gives a faithful picture of the habits and everyday lives of the Lolos.

Lolo music and costumes have been faithfully copied and many months of intensive research by Yung Hwa's technical staff have resulted in a colourful spectacle, the like of which has never been made by any other Chinese studios. For the benefit of Europeans and other non-Mandarin-speaking members of audiences, English slides have been prepared to explain the action of the film.

"The Sins of Our Fathers" is a younger generation on both sides, after years of useless slaughter, took over the reins and brought the two races, living in one land, together in friendship and brotherhood.

A fierce and warlike people, the Lolos are known even to the Chinese. They are renowned as a slave-keeping race—the slaves are mostly captured Chinese—and there are three classes in their society: the Black Lolos (ruling class), even now, is fighting and raiding in China's mountainous South West.

The mixing of the classes is strictly forbidden and the penalty for any infringement is death—a fate which the two stars of the film (Liu Cheung, a slave, and Sun Ching-lu, the daughter of the chief) face as result of their love.

Among the quaint customs which will be seen in the film are the Lolo wedding ceremony, the Lolo ritual before a battle, a Lolo feast, in which a whole sheep is boiled, Lolo funeral ceremonies and ancient Lolo songs and dances.

Dickens' Novel Still Top Cinema Show

Charles Dickens' immortal "A Tale of Two Cities" which thrilled cinema audiences more than a decade ago, will make its re-appearance on the screen of the Queen's Theatre this week-end.

Dickens' novel should be known to most people. It is a story which combines the suspense of a modern adventure plot with the romantic charm which pervades most of that great writer's work.

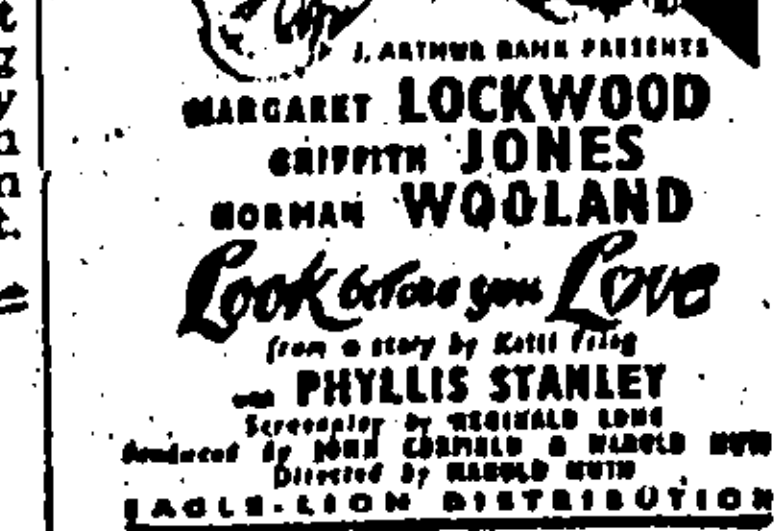
It presents the flamboyant of a great social upheaval, and in its bloody light, a terrible drama is played to its logical conclusion.

The picture is very true to the book, in fact, one has the impression of "seeing" the complete novel, word for word, on the screen.

Ronald Coleman's portrayal of Sydney Carton is warm and sincere and unforgettable. It demonstrates once again that good actors earn their place in Hollywood not overnight, but by years and years of top-notch performances.

He is ably supported by a stellar supporting cast which includes Basil Rathbone, Edna May Oliver, Donald Woods and Reginald Owen.

Re-released more than 10 years after its initial triumph, "A Tale of Two Cities" is still excellent screen entertainment, a must for those who appreciate a superb pictorialisation of a great book.



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TREACHERY ON BOARD "BERLIN EXPRESS," IS THEME OF ROXY SHOW

Rating: * * *
A thrilling battle of wits between Allied representatives in Europe and a murderous gang of Nazi fanatics seeking to prevent the unification of Germany, is developed in "Berlin Express," week-end attraction at the Roxy Theatre.

Starring Merle Oberon, Robert Ryan, Charles Korvin and Paul Lukas, "Berlin Express" was the first American picture to have been filmed inside Germany since the end of the war. The film's authentic settings lend vivid realism to the story and are perhaps one of the reasons why we have found "Berlin Express" absorbingly entertaining.

Opening in Paris and ending in Berlin, the story deals in absorbing fashion with a struggle between the German underground and the Allies.

A mysterious code message received by the French police indicates that something will happen in the border town of Sulzbach. Railway Transport officers on the "Main-Steier" from Paris to Frankfurt are alerted.

Among the passengers are Lucienne (Merle Oberon), a Frenchwoman; Lindley (Robert Ryan), an American agricultural expert; Perrot (Charles Korvin), a French importer; Franzen (Paul Lukas), a German businessman; Sterling (Robert Coote), a British Educator; Lieutenant Maxim (Roman Toporov), Russian guard; and Dr. Bernhardt (Fritz Kortner), a German statesman working with the Allies on a plan to unify his country.

Suspicion among the travellers intensifies when, near Sulzbach, "Dr. Bernhardt" is killed by a bomb planted in his compartment. At American military headquarters at Frankfurt, Franzen is revealed as the real Dr. Bernhardt. The man killed on the train was a secret-service agent taking his place for security reasons, since the Nazi underground plotted against his reaching Berlin. Lucienne is Bernhardt's secretary. He continues the journey, still in the role of Franzen.

At Berlin, Bernhardt is kidnapped by the Nazis. Lucienne appears to her fellow travellers to her find him, stressing the importance of his assignment. Lucienne and Lindley are decoyed to the Nazi hide-out in an abandoned brewery, where Bernhardt is held captive.

Some exciting minutes pass before the film reaches its end. They include a fist fight in a battle between members of the underground and the U.S. Military Constabulary.

British Film Showing At The King's

Rating: * * *
Popular books don't always make good film material. But the Associated British adaptation of Francis Brett Young's best-seller "My Brother Jonathan" is one of the exceptions that proves the rule the film is now at the King's Theatre.

With a cast of players including Michael Denison, Dulcie Gray, Ronald Howard and Stephen Murray with Mary Blair, Finlay Currie, Beatrice Campbell and Arthur Young, "My Brother Jonathan" tells the story of a man's life set against the changing background of the early 1900's.

Since boyhood, Jonathan Dakers (Michael Denison), has wanted to be a great surgeon, an ambition that went with the hope that someday he would marry the little girl, Edie, whom he first met a village cricket match.

Jonathan's dreams do not all come to reality, and instead of becoming a specialist, he is, through financial circumstances, destined to become a doctor in a small, dirty Midland town. He manages to keep his mother and to pay for his brother Harold's University's fees and is further harassed when he incurs the enmity of Dr. Craig, his fashionable rival.

How Jonathan does marry Edie, only to lose her soon afterwards, but finds ultimate happiness, is cleverly handled by producer Warwick Ward and director Harold French. Drama, motion and authenticity of scenes, all help to make this a picture an enjoyable show.

As an added attraction, the King's Theatre will screen "The Story of Birth," a true and scientific description of the birth of a baby.

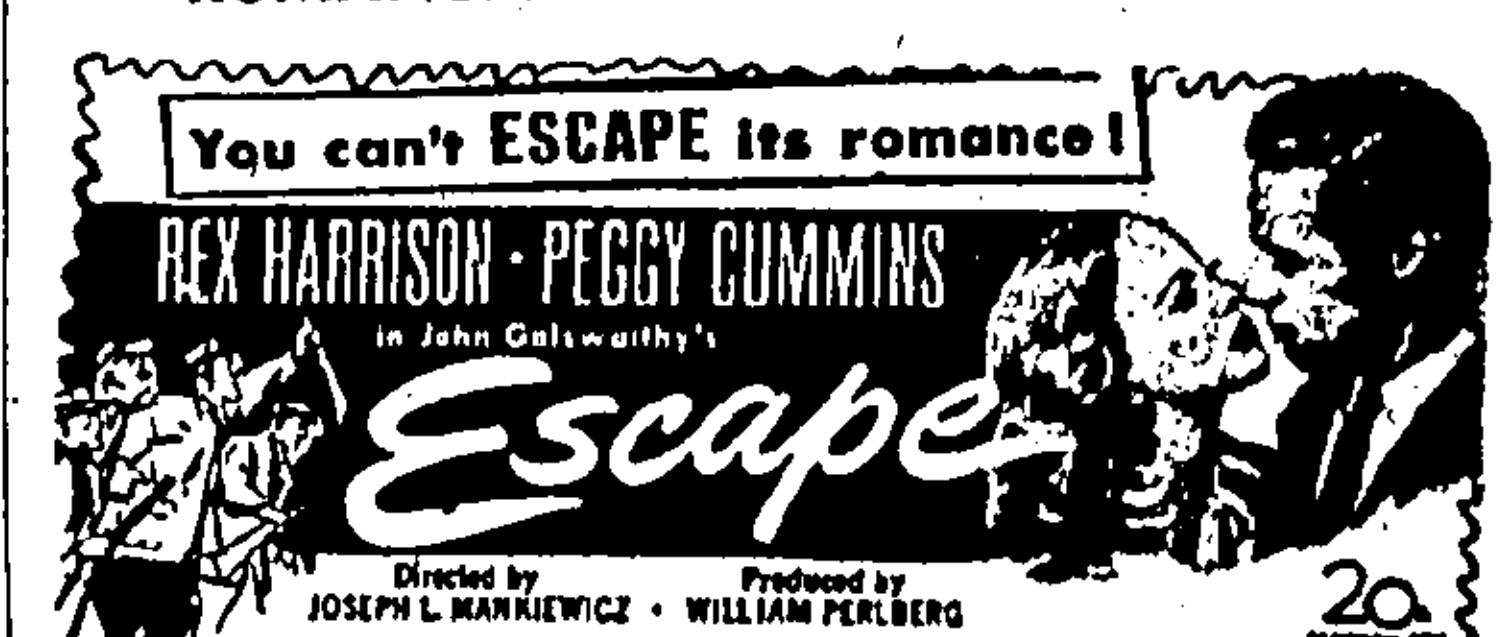
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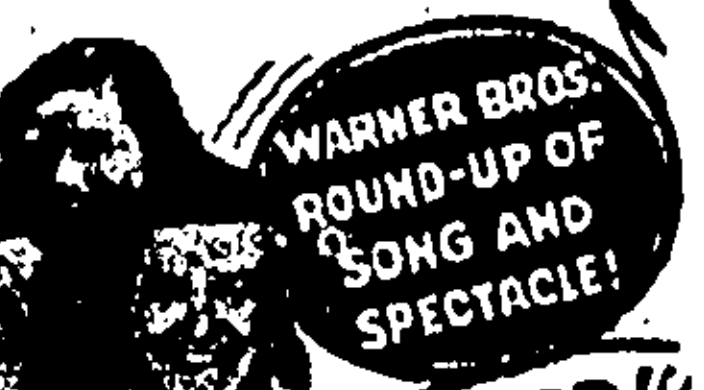
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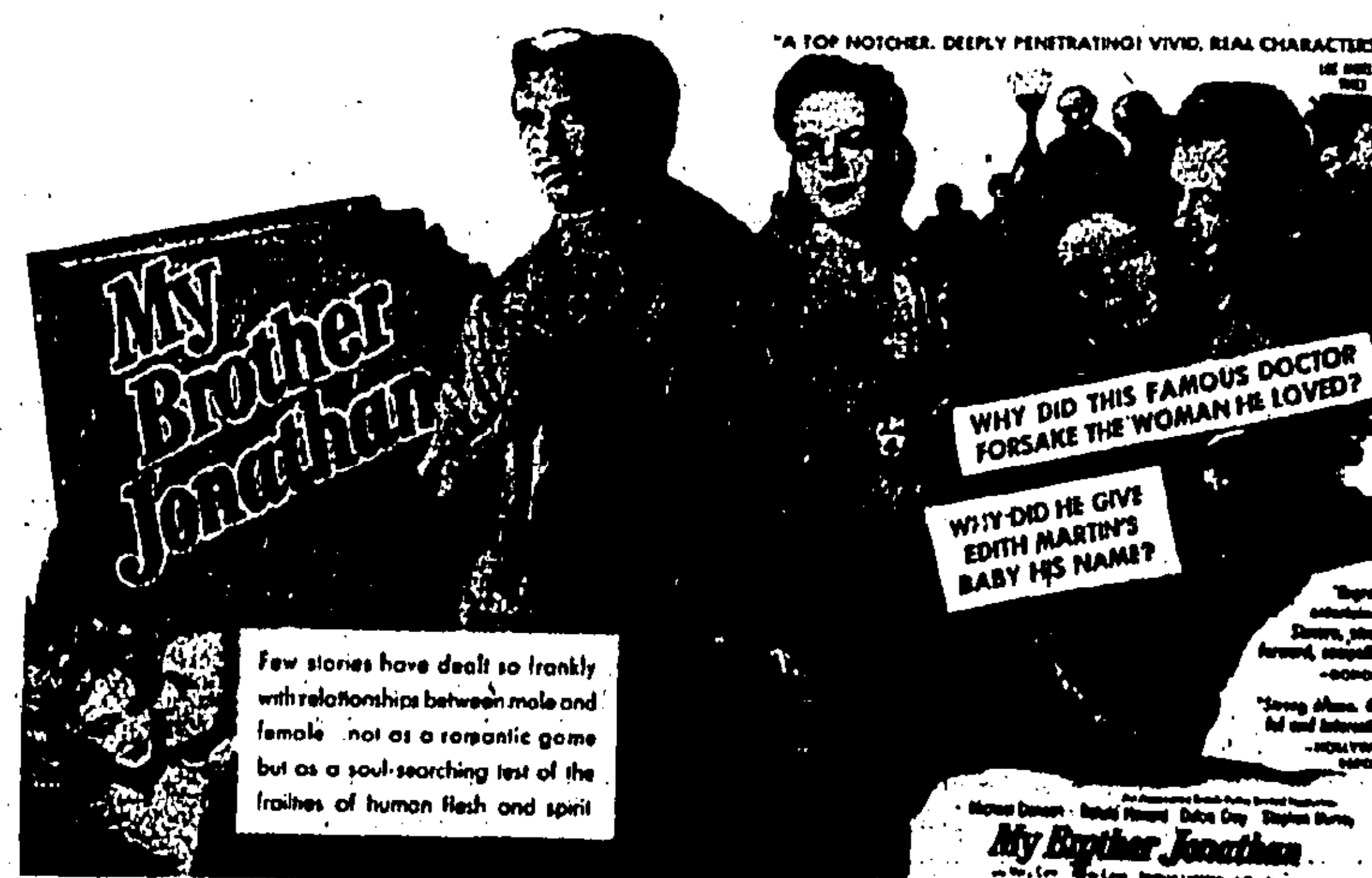
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GOOD PROGRESS MADE AT DEFENCE MEETING

Secret Talks On New Military Measures ANGLO-U.S. DISCUSSION

London, August 3.

Secret talks on the defence organisation for the North Atlantic Treaty between United States and British Chiefs of Staff ended here this afternoon.

General Omar Bradley, United States Army Chief of Staff, said afterwards: "We have been discussing again this afternoon the details of the organisations to be set up under the Treaty. We are very happy about the course they have taken."

Immediately after the American chiefs had left, Danish and Norwegian defence leaders arrived at the Defence Ministry. A British spokesman said that they would hold courtesy talks with the British joint Chiefs of Staff.

RUSSIANS REJECT PROTEST

Berlin, August 3. The Russians today rejected a Western Allied complaint that the Soviet Zone Railway Administration is not honouring the agreement on pay to West Berlin employees by which the recent six-week railway strike was ended.

In a letter to the three Western Commandants, the Deputy Chief of the Soviet Zone Transport Division, Mr. V. Voronovskiy, said that the Soviet-controlled Railway Authority (the Reichsbahn) has adhered correctly to the agreement.

A Western contention that the agreement to pay 60 per cent of the railwaymen's wages in West marks should be extended also to workers who lived in West Berlin but worked in East Berlin is apparently based on an incorrect interpretation, he said.

He added that, during the negotiations for ending the six-week strike, only the question of workers living and working in the West sectors was discussed.

A British spokesman said tonight that the Soviet reply flatly contradicts the guarantee given by the Railway Administration and recently by Major-General Kvasushin, the head of the Soviet Military Government Transport Division.

"The agreement to pay 60 per cent of the wages of the railwaymen living in the West marks can only be interpreted in one way."

"To amend the agreement by withholding payment of West marks from Western sector railwaymen employed in the Eastern sector is a deliberate breach of the agreement," the spokesman asserted.

The British spokesman described the Soviet action as a deliberate misinterpretation of a deliberate misinterpretation.—Reuter.

GASPERI-TITO MEETING?

Rome, August 3. The Italian Government today declined to confirm or deny outright rumours of a projected meeting between the Prime Minister, Signor Alcide De Gasperi, and Marshal Tito, the Yugoslav Premier.

After vague official statements earlier today, a source close to the Prime Minister's Office tonight said that Signor De Gasperi is unwilling to deny the report outright.

"It seems too brusque," he stated.

This is taken by some circles here as an indication that Signor De Gasperi is leaving the way open for such a meeting but that the initiative should come from across the Adriatic.—Reuter.

MARRIAGE BID SUCCESSFUL

Hastings, August 3. Jacqueline Fleur Alan, 18-year-old daughter of Colonel and Mrs. J. A. Alan, of Karachi, Pakistan, today obtained a Magistrate's consent for her marriage to a 21-year-old student against her parents' opposition.

Both parents flew from Karachi to England in an unsuccessful attempt to persuade their daughter to abandon her marriage plans.—Reuter.

Aircraft Carriers For East

Valetta, August 3. H.M.S. Triumph, the 13,350-ton Mediterranean Fleet aircraft carrier (Captain R.M. J. Hutton, commanding) will leave Malta tomorrow for the Far East.

She will be accompanied by the 1,710-ton destroyer Charity (Lieutenant-Commander P.R.G. Worthy commanding).

Two Mediterranean Fleet frigates, Cardigan Bay and St. Bridget Bay, left Malta for the Far East on July 25, while the 13,100-ton Fleet carrier H.M.S. Ocean was detached from the Fleet at the end of June and passed through the Mediterranean for the Far East a fortnight ago.—Reuter.

Holland Ratifies The Pact

The Hague, August 3. The Upper House of the Dutch Parliament today passed by 23 votes to two (both Communists) a draft Bill ratifying the Atlantic Pact.

Holland is the only member of the 12-nation Alliance which has not yet ratified the Pact.

Dr. Dirk J. Sluiter, Dutch Foreign Minister, told the House that the Government believes Western Europe can count on immediate help from the United States in the case of an armed attack.

He said that the Atlantic Pact is the biggest step that Holland has ever taken in collective security.

Earlier in the debate, Mr. W. C. Wendelaar, of the Freedom and Democracy Party, said that he hoped Marshal Stalin will not get the same chance that Hitler had had.

Mr. J. Van Kieft, of the Labour Party, criticised the Government for not consulting the Dutch overseas territories about the Pact.—Reuter.

Dutch General's Order To Troops

Batavia, August 3.

The Dutch Commander in Batavia, Lieutenant-General D. H. Buurman Van Vreeden, broadcasting tonight, told Dutch troops that they will share with the Republican Army the duty of protecting the population against robbers and looters.

He said: "Apart from the forces on the other side who raised their arms from conviction, there are groups who are only out for robbery and loot. It cannot be expected that these groups will follow the cease fire order to the letter."

"Against these groups every human society which seeks to maintain law and order will continue to act."

Meanwhile, in a 100-minute broadcast from Jogjakarta the Indonesian Republican President, Dr. I. B. Soekarno, appealed to the Republicans to support the cease fire order.

Referring to the round-table conference between the Dutch and the Indonesians, which is to be held at The Hague, he said: "Now the world is a participant, thanks to the United Nations Commission."

President Soekarno thanked the Republican armed forces for their loyalty in carrying out orders to continue the struggle after last December's "police action" in Indonesia.

"The character of the struggle is changing and the goal of us all is nearly reached. The Republican territory is smaller now but the Republican spirit has been stimulated everywhere. The cease fire is a test for us—for the Republic and the whole Indonesian people."

"The eyes and ears of the world are fixed on us."

President Soekarno appealed to the Dutch to discard colonial tendencies.

The semi-official Dutch news agency, Antara reported today a general Indonesian Cabinet reshuffle.

Antara said Mohammed Hatta remains the Premiership and the Cabinet consists of four Moslems, two Nationalists, one Christian, one Catholic, one representative of the Greater Indonesia Party and five Ministers without party affiliations. The report said the Sultan of Jogjakarta is Vice-Premier for Java and Defence Minister.

Starfrudin Prawiranegara, who headed the underground emergency government, is said to have been appointed Vice-premier for Sumatra.—Reuter and United Press.

Glessau, August 3. An optical works at Heuchelheim, near Glessau, has begun the production of cameras the size of a pocket lighter, weighing less than three ounces for export to the United States and Latin America.—Reuter.

Recognition Of Chinese Reds Before Year-End

London, August 3.

Official sources said today that it is possible that the British Government will recognise the Chinese Communist regime before the end of the year.

It is pointed out that there can be no formal diplomatic relations until there is a properly constituted government for the whole of China and it is believed that this will be proclaimed after the fall of Canton.

Most observers believe that Canton will be in Communist hands by the end of August.

The escape of the British frigate, Amethyst, it is thought, has placed Hong Kong in the forefront of the "cold war" and it is expected that the Communists will exert pressure on the colony after Canton is captured.

Consular advisers from North China recently were said to have pressed for Foreign Office consideration of conditions under which the Communist regime can be recognised.

The Communist authorities reopened the Yangtze River to shipping today after forbidding all traffic since Amethyst escaped.

The Communist said Amethyst rammed the passenger steamer, Kiangling Liberation, killing several hundred persons in its dash down the Yangtze.

The Shanghai press lashed out at the British declaring: "The people of China and the whole world now see that the imperialists are accustomed to returning evil for good. The crew of Amethyst sank the Kiangling Liberation and junks killing several hundred innocent fellow Chinese."

The Democratic League's "Wen Wei Po" said the British imperialists committed a crime by violating the territorial integrity of China. They made the escape by bombarding a merchant ship and massacring our people."

Evacuation Of Foreigners

Meanwhile, in Shanghai, the American President Shipping Lines announced that it is seeking a safe conduct from the Chinese Nationalists to send the liner General Gordon through the blockade to Shanghai.

She will remove 900 foreigners from China on about September 15 if the safe conduct is granted.

The 900 foreigners include British, Dutch, American, French, Scandinavian and other nationals wishing to leave the Communist-ruled city.

The shipping company said it is seeking the safe conduct at the behest of the U.S. State Department.—United Press and Associated Press.

NZ VOTES FOR CONSCRIPTION

Wellington, August 3. New Zealanders have voted by an overwhelming majority in favour of peace-time conscription, according to a preliminary count.

On the completion of this preliminary count the final figures were declared to be 535,401 in favour of conscription and 152,610 against.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Peter Fraser, organising a nationwide referendum on the subject, had the support of both the Government Labour Party and of the official Opposition, the National Party, but a number of trade unions stood out in opposition to peace-time conscription.—Reuter.

OPERATION FLY IN MANILA

Manila, August 3. "Operation Fly," a public health-sponsored drive on flies and mosquitoes in Manila, is on in earnest. A Philippine Army helicopter and seven trucks are busy blowing fly over the city to eliminate the insects.

The spraying begins at 8.30 a.m. and ends at midnight. The drive is expected to continue all this week.—Reuter.

ADVERTISING ON RADIO MALAYA?

Singapore, August 3. Radio Malaya may adopt sponsored broadcast by advertisers to help towards wiping out its yearly deficit of Straits \$1,500,000.

A committee set up by the Malayan Federation Legislative Council suggested today that, if all available broadcast time, apart from news broadcasts and special talks, is leased to advertisers, the resulting revenue would reduce the deficit by about one-third.—Reuter.

PI-CHAMBER PRESIDENT

Manila, August 4. Aurelio Periquet, prominent insurance company executive, was elected new President of the Chamber of Commerce of the Philippines for a three-year term.

Periquet succeeds Ch. Puyat, who has been president since 1945.—United Press.

MISSING PERSONS MEASURE

Geneva, August 4. Menahem Kahany, Israeli observer at the United Nations Economic and Social Council's ninth session, told the Council that his Government attaches great importance to the UN draft convention to unify legal procedures for relatives of missing persons.

A special UN committee recently drew up the draft convention, designed to aid the relatives of more than 1,000,000 persons who disappeared during the war without a trace.

These relatives have been unable to marry again or to inherit property because of the absence of death certificates.

Mr. Kahany said: "We have very many relatives in Israel of these people who disappeared. That is why we are particularly interested in the matter. We consider an international convention highly desirable and urgent."

Mr. Kahany said his Government considers the convention—which is under discussion in the Council—to be satisfactory, but reserves the right to make suggestions.—United Press.

Fatal End To Woman's Gallantry

Flushing, August 4. Kathleen Lillian May Garrett of Ipswich, Suffolk, aged 28, went overboard in the Scheldt, near Flushing, on Sunday night when her little yacht "Victoria" in which she and her husband and two friends were travelling, got into difficulties.

She tried to swim ashore but was not seen again.

Her husband said that his wife, a good swimmer, had jumped overboard at 11.30 p.m. to swim ashore.

The Victoria had earlier been taken in tow by a pilot boat which came in response to her distress signals. Because of the bad weather, the cable broke and the Victoria lost touch with the rescue vessel. Later, however, the pilot boat got another line on board and towed the Victoria into Flushing harbour.

Police said that the woman, who is the wife of James Nelson Clark (her maiden name is Garrett), had decided to swim ashore to get assistance.—Associated Press.

COUPLE PICKET A CONSULATE

Sydney, August 3. The Dutch Consulate here was picketed for five hours today by a Dutchman and his Australian wife who claim that the Netherlands East Indies Government owe them \$9,000.

They are Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Van Heyningen of Sydney.

Mr. Heyningen, who said that they will continue to picket the Consulate tomorrow, claimed that he was a wartime agent for the Netherlands East Indies' Shipping Organisation.

Legal action brought by him against the Dutch authorities was rejected, he said, by the Australian Supreme Court on the ground that the latter has sovereign immunity.—Reuter.

MIDINETTES BACK AT WORK

Paris, August 3. The Committee which has led 12,000 midinettes in a week-long announced strike tonight that work has been resumed by the Houses of Molyneux, Charles Montaigne and Agnes Drecoll.

The firms have promised revised wage scales and a bonus while the new scales are being worked out.

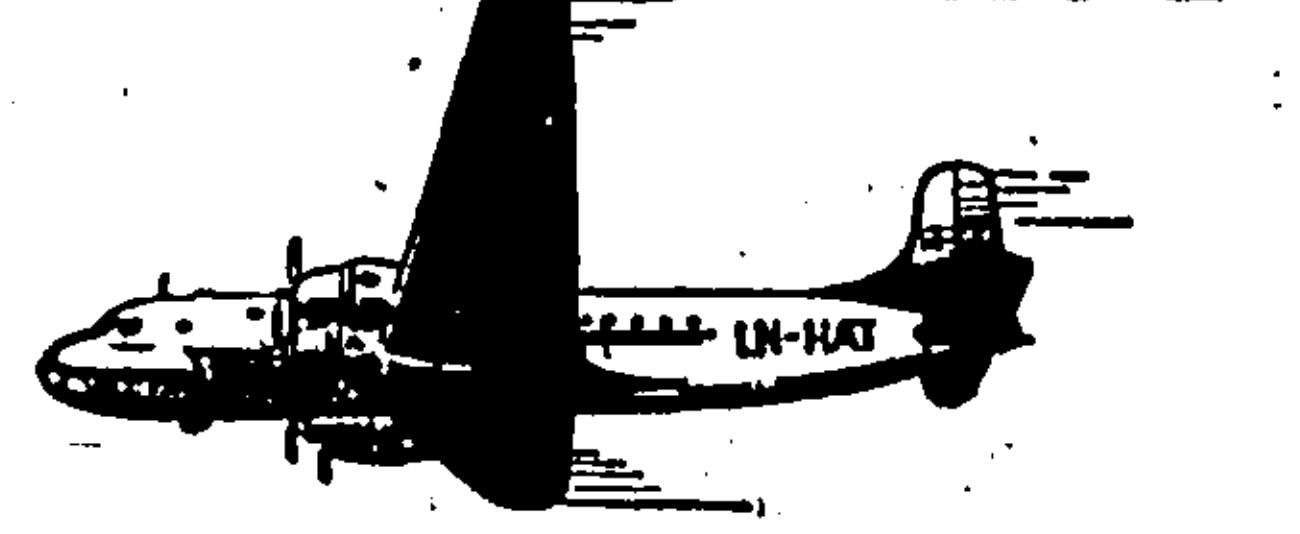
The Committee urged other strikers to stay out until their employers agree to the same terms.—Reuter.

U.S. IN THE RED

Washington, August 3. The Treasury says the U.S. Government ran US\$1,487,653,000 in the red for July, first month of the fiscal year.

But the deficit was less than in the first month of the previous fiscal year. July is always a poor month for Government income.—Associated Press.

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LINCOLN MESSAGE IN DANGER SAYS MRS PANDIT

New York, August 3.

The inspiring message of Abraham Lincoln and Jefferson, by which the American people had come by their success, today appears to be in danger.

Mrs. Vijaya Lakshmi Pandit, India's Ambassador to India, said this to an audience at Columbia University today.

QUEEN'S QUIET BIRTHDAY

London, August 3.

Queen Elizabeth will mark her 49th birthday without ceremony at Buckingham Palace on Thursday, a Palace spokesman said today.

However, ships of the Royal Navy will dress overall in British ports, which means flags and bunting from stem to stern, and the "King's" troops of the Royal Horse Guards will fire a 41-gun salute in London's Hyde Park.

United States Navy ships in British ports will fire 21 guns at noon, it was announced by Admiral R. S. Jolly, Commander-in-Chief of U.S. Naval Forces in the Eastern Atlantic and Mediterranean. They will also fire the salute in ports where British ships are lying, he added.

Princess Margaret's 19th birthday is on August 21. Plans for it are incomplete but the annual birthday dance will be held earlier this year because the 21st falls on a Sunday, a Palace spokesman said. The Queen will go to Balmoral Castle in Scotland on Friday.—Associated Press.

Scots Girl Killed In The Alps

Engelberg, August 3.

A 34-year-old Glasgow secretary, Miss Margaret Dickie, was fatally injured in a mountain fall near Engelberg, on Sunday, it was disclosed today.

With three Swiss friends she fell 400 feet down the Titlis Mountains.

Miss Dickie, who was holidaying in Lucerne, had climbed the 10,000-foot Titlis peak with a Swiss girl friend and the friend's brother.

Descending they were joined by a Swiss man and all four were roped together.

Fog set in during the descent and the two girls lost their footing on an icy slope.

Miss Dickie died while being brought back to Engelberg. The three Swiss were injured but their condition is not serious.—Associated Press.

"Your atom bombs and your skyscrapers will stand you in little stead unless that message is taken to heart and put into practice," she said.

About 2,000 persons were present in the University Hall, and at the end of the address they applauded Mrs. Pandit for several minutes.

The United States has done great things and is destined to do greater things, Mrs. Pandit said. But the country is in great need of the wisdom of the ages. There is no point in one nation having the ability to fill the begging bowl of almost all other nations, while many others are steeped in ignorance and poverty.

"Freedom should be shared. The world's troubles today arise because we are selfish and because we attach a value to things that are really valueless."

Change Of Heart Called For

Mrs. Pandit said that America when she first arose had people with a spiritual force equal to the greatest in any other country. But today that spiritual force is getting somewhat dim.

She said in the course of her address: "You have tremendous power, but power should be judged in terms of the ability to create, not to destroy. Human emotions are not controlled by material things."

The last war ended in defeat all round, rather than victory. Calling for a change of heart, Mrs. Pandit said that Western civilization has twice in two generations led the world into wars.

"Therefore, let us find something on which we can plant our feet firmly and act together. No nation can take upon itself a task which is not shared by others."

The Key

The Indian Ambassador said that the answer to Communism lies in a searching of hearts, because it has its roots in the frustration of hopes, in discontent, in tragic inequalities.

The remedy to apply is the Sermon on the Mount, but she asked, does the so-called Christian civilization represent the word of God?

"We, the so-called pagans of the East, have found the message of God."

Communism can not be met in a hysterical fashion. It has its roots in reality and must be met with reality.

"The key to world happiness lies somewhere between Buddha and the atom bomb. The responsibility of leadership devolving upon America is the greatest in history."

"Her people should practice the great lessons left to them by their leaders and, at the same time, derive a lesson from the East."—Reuter.

Victoria's Descendant A Nazi

Hamburg, August 3.

Carl Eduard von Sachsen, Duke of Coburg and Gotha, a great-grandson of Queen Victoria, was declared a Nazi follower by a Hamburg Court of Appeal today.

The 64-year-old Duke, who is in hospital, was tried in absentia.

Under Hitler he was President of the German Red Cross, an honorary leader of the Storm Troopers, a high officer in the Nazi Motor and Aviation Corps, Reichstag deputy until the end of the war and Nazi party member after 1933.

The court fined him 2,000 Deutsche marks.—Associated Press.

ACTRESS WEDS IN CHELSEA

London, August 3.

The film actress, Angel Lansbury, who is married to a divorcee, because both she and her future husband have been married before, will wed tomorrow at the Chapel of St. Columba in the riverside district of Chelsea.

Miss Lansbury, grand-daughter of the famous Labour leader, Mr. George Lansbury, flew the Atlantic last month with her fiancé, the film actor Peter Shaw. In the hope of being married in Bow Church, where her grandfather worshipped regularly.

St. Columba is a Church of Scotland place of worship. The ceremony will be performed by Dr. R. K. V. Scott.

Dr. Scott said that the Church of Scotland, peace person, provided a divorcee or she is an innocent party in law.

"The couple told me that they wished to be properly married and make a really new beginning, and I thought the right thing to do was to consent," he added.—Reuter.

Vatican On Japan Birth Control

Vatican City, August 3.

The Vatican newspaper, "Osservatore Romano," claimed today that legislation of birth control in Japan plays into the Communist hands and means that the Reds will outnumber anti-Communists by 1960.

In an article submitted by the National Catholic Welfare Council, the "Osservatore" said that at the present session of the Japanese Chamber of Deputies the resolution was passed legalising birth control. The Communists alone opposed the measure.

"Doesn't this mean," the "Osservatore" demanded, "that the Japanese Communist Party will forbid among its adherents the means of birth control and what will be the consequences? In less than 20 years the Reds will have at their command an absolute majority by virtue of the fact that the non-Communist population will find itself enormously reduced and thus will be more easily overcome. Soviet Russia is in fact convinced that the masses of her population will be a decisive factor in winning the final battle of a world war."

The "Osservatore" said: "It is truly sad to see the Japanese people are playing into the hands of the Communists by accepting the proposals of certain experts who have come from the countries of the victors. Protests of the Catholic Church to the highest authorities in Japan have passed in silence."—United Press.

CRITICISM IN AUDIT DEPARTMENT'S REPORT

Departure From The Regulations

A number of departures from the approved regulations were brought to the notice of the Hong Kong Government by the Department of Audit, according to the 1947-48 annual report of the Department.

The report said that it was observed that in certain cases, pay sheets for coolie labour had not been countersigned by some officer, other than the officer making the payments, who was present at the time of payment. Attention was drawn to the General Order covering this point and the Heads of Departments concerned stated that the correct procedure would be followed in future.

The question of how far the Department of Supplies, Trade and Industry, is considered to be bound by the normal regulations has been dealt with in the report on the Accounts, Trade and Industry Department to the Director General of Colonial Audit, referred to in paragraph 50 of the previous annual report, and His Excellency the Governor's despatch of the 19th of March 1949 to the Secretary of State. This department continued, however, to bring to notice all such infringements of the regulations as were observed during Audit examinations of the accounts of that department during the period under review.

Many instances of the manner in which the purchase of goods and the supply of services were arranged without contract after public tender, and in some cases without written agreement, were brought to notice. Apart from the breach of regulations occasioned by this procedure, the absence of contract or written agreements placed this department in the position of having difficulty in verifying that payments made to local companies for goods and services supplied were in order.

It was necessary to draw the attention of the Director of the Supplies, Trade and Industry Department, to the fact that the rates of pay of coolies employed by the Marketing Section of that department, differed from those laid down in the relevant Government circulars. In reply it was stated that the rates paid to the individuals concerned differed from those laid down by Government, on account of the fact that these rates had been added to in 1948, but that, in future, payments would be made at the normal rates laid down by Government.

Tokyo Office

This Department was informed by the Financial Secretary that the expenses of the Tokyo office of the Hong Kong Government Agent in Japan were to be charged to the Suspense Account "Japanese Trade," and that the authority of the Secretary of State was being sought for this. In reply, this department pointed out that since this expenditure appeared to be final expenditure, it should be met from an approved sub-head of expenditure subject to Legislative control. If it was desirable to charge such expenditure to a Suspense Account, the approval of the Secretary of State should be sought for this arrangement also.

The Financial Secretary replied that this would be done but the authority has not yet been seen. Provision has been made, however, in the Estimates.

Rico Transport

It was observed during an Audit examination that some amounting to \$8,335.93 had been charged to the Suspense Account "Rico," for Government lorries on hire to the Rico Section of the Supplies, Trade and Industry Department, for the month of March, 1948. It subsequently transpired that the lorries were used for the transportation and distribution of rice, sugar, and flour in Hong Kong and Kowloon.

An explanation was requested to the authority for supplying transport as a charge to public funds to the Rico distributor, as it appeared that under the terms of a previous agreement which had operated from August, 1946, with the same firm covering the distribution of rice, the commitment to the firm was to cover all transportation and distribution expenses.

The Director replied that at the time that the original agreement was made, all transport was controlled by Government and that it was therefore understood that Government transport would be supplied without charge to the Rico distributor, the commission being intended to cover the provision of coolie labour in respect of distribution and transportation only. This explanation was accepted.

The attention of the Accountant General was drawn to the fact that certain sub-heads of expenditure, affecting four departments, were being used in a manner which gave them the effect of a Suspense sub-head and resulted in an unauthorized increase of the funds available under the sub-heads. This occurred, owing to the practice of charging the cost of the work done for, or stores supplied to, other departments, in the first place to a departmental sub-head and subsequently crediting that same sub-head by transfer, when funds became available from the other department's allocation. The matter is being kept in view.

Coolie Labour

Information was requested as to the authority for charging part of a payment to a contractor supplying coolie labour, for work

carried out in the Stores Department, to Head 20, Miscellaneous Services, Sub-head 24, "High Cost of Living and Rehabilitation Allowances," as the payment was not in respect of work carried out by coolies employed directly Government. The Accountant General has instructed that, in future, provision for payments of this nature must be made under the sub-head of Expenditure to which such expenditure is to be charged.

In reply to an enquiry as to the authority for, and purpose of, an Advance account opened in respect of a steel contract, the Accountant General stated that the initial charge to this account was in respect of an advance of 30% of the value of the contract price of a shipment of steel. In reply to a request for a copy of the contract, the Controller of Stores stated there was no contract, and that the service had not been put out to Public Tender. It appears that owing to the steel, the Financial Secretary had given approval for the acceptance of any offer of steel made, and had authorized the departure from Colonial Regulations 338 and 341.

In the course of the audit examination of the accounts of the Supplies, Trade and Industry Department, it was observed that irrevocable letters of credit had been opened by the Director of the Department of Supplies, Trade and Industry, in Italy and Australia to facilitate the purchase of cotton yarn and butter. A reference to the authority for this procedure has been requested, as it would appear that, if these purchases cannot be made through the Crown Agents in accordance with Colonial Regulation 341, the approval of the Secretary of State should be obtained for this method of purchasing supplies.

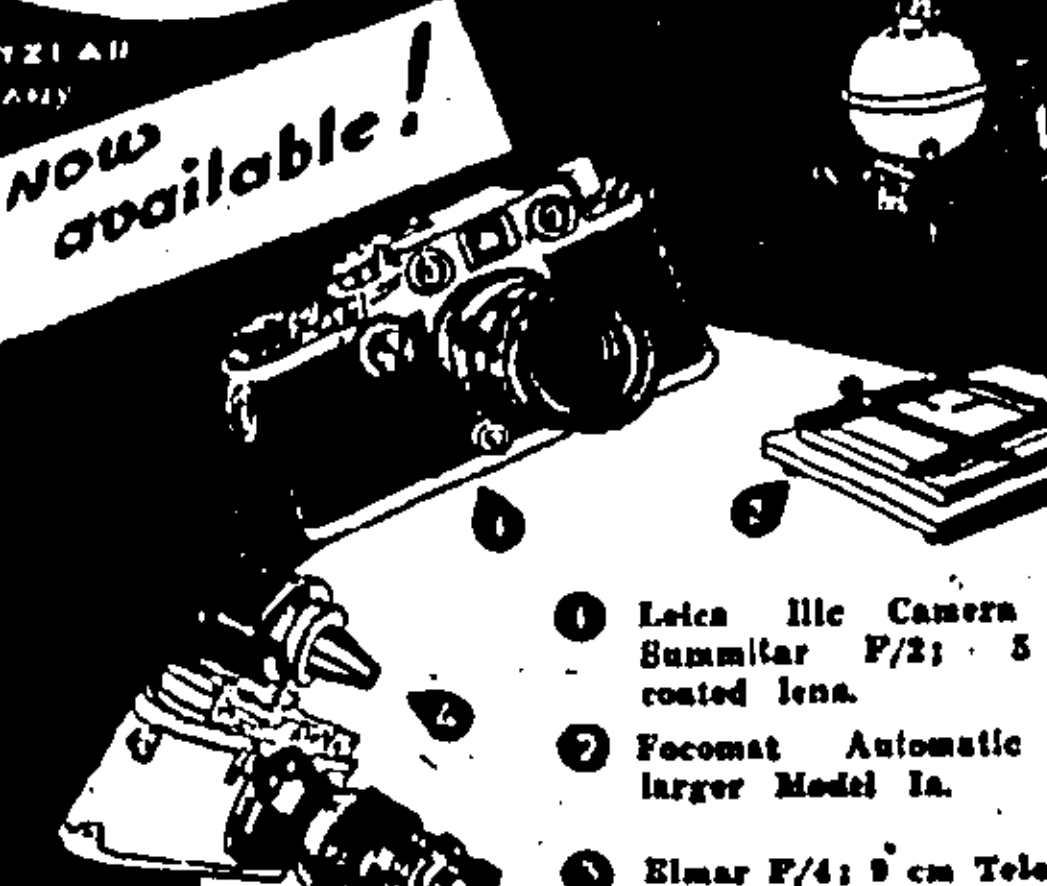
Keys To Vaults

It was brought to notice that the keys and combinations of the Vaults, in which the main stocks of the currency of the Colony were kept, were not held, in accordance with the terms of Colonial Regulation 293, by the Accountant General and two other principal officers of the Government appointed by the Governor, and in these circumstances information was requested as to whether the two officers, who actually held the keys and combinations to the vaults, were to be responsible for the safe custody of the contents of the vaults. The Accountant General replied that there was no question of himself being relieved from the general control of the currency, and the system relating thereto, but that it was impracticable that he, or any other senior official of the Government, should be designated directly to control the vaults. The Governor subsequently approved the proposal, that one key and combination to the vaults should continue to be held by the Assistant Accountant General and another key and combination by a designated Senior Treasury official.

The Accountant General has also been instructed to draw up rules governing the control and custody of valuables in the vaults, and the matter is being kept in view.

As a result of a local Audit inspection at the Queen Mary Hospital, it was revealed that some despatched patients at Government Hospitals, against maintenance fees, were not being remitted to the Accountant General, and did not, therefore, appear as a liability in the accounts of the Colony. The Accountant General has since agreed that in future, all such despatches shall be paid into the Treasury, and that reimbursements to the depositors shall be made from imprests issued to the Hospitals concerned and not, as at present, from the balance of deposits on hand. The matter is still the subject of discussion between the Director of Medical Services and the Accountant General and is being kept in view.

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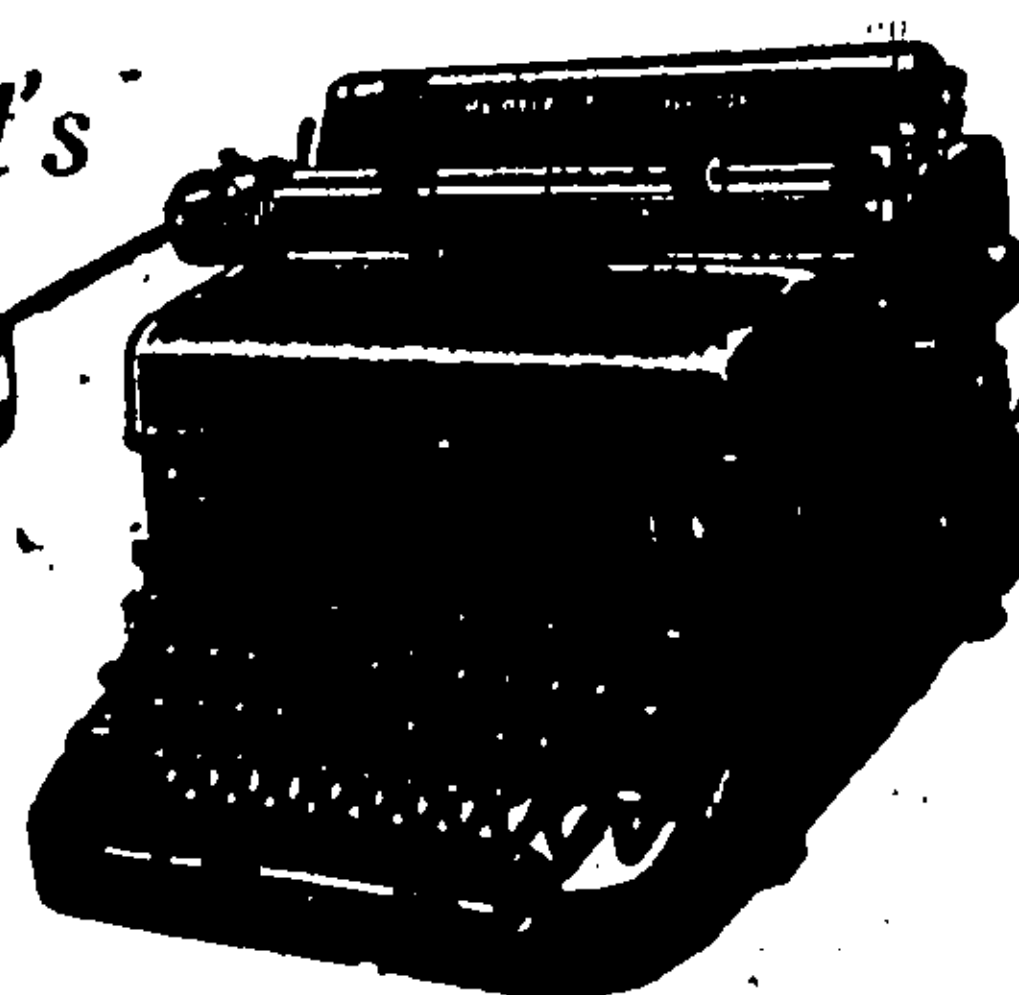
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Communist Agents Flow Into America

Washington, August 2. Communist agents are entering the United States in untold numbers, according to Senator Pat McCarran, Democratic Chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee. He said that evidence before his Committee disclosed that some agents are arriving disguised as seamen and then jumping their ships. Others are taken off ships by small boats and landed at isolated points along the coast. Some of the agents are smuggled across the Canadian and Mexican borders. The Committee is investigating the entry of foreigners into the United States.—Reuter.

BIG SUM MARKED FOR JAPS

Washington, August 3. Japan is due to receive nearly one-half of the US\$1,000,000,000 the U.S. Army is asking Congress to set aside for occupied areas. The Army's appropriation plan calls for US\$405,015,000 for Japan to cover expenses arising from the occupation of Japan. An additional US\$26,442,000 is being asked for the Ryukyu Islands, which also are under U.S. occupation. The figures above are those currently contemplated by the Army, but they are subject to change dependent on commodity costs in the occupation operation. The requested funds for relief and rehabilitation for Japan is almost US\$15,000,000 less than what the Americans spent for that purpose during the fiscal year ending last June 30—US\$510,809,410—and it is the largest single item of the proposed US\$1,000,000,000 sought for the occupied countries this year. The U.S. occupied area in Germany comes next with a proposed US\$470,330,000 compared with a US\$604,600,512 for the previous fiscal year.

The trend in these American grants to help the former enemies of the U.S. is downward. By this, it means the U.S. cannot go on indefinitely supplying huge sums for these purposes. The expectation is that these grants gradually will be rendered unnecessary by the improved economic conditions in the occupied countries. On the request for Japan this year, the biggest single item is US\$105,474,000 for grain, food and kindred products. This amount in the previous fiscal year was US\$231,104,700.—Associated Press.

NUNS KILLED IN CRASH

Casablanca, August 3. Eighteen people, including two nuns, were killed and 25, including two Europeans, injured when a bus fell into a 400-foot ravine in descending the Tizi N'Test Pass, near Marrakesh, Morocco.—Reuter.

Talks On Free Flow Of European Trade

Paris, August 4. Senior trade officials of Western European Marshall Plan countries met here today to discuss how intra-European trade might be made to flow more freely.

A European Economic Co-Operation spokesman said that in their talks, expected to last three days, the officials will examine methods of applying a trade expansion proposal accepted last month by the governing Council of the Organisation for European Economic Co-Operation. This proposal recommended, among other things, that countries should strive to eliminate quantitative import restrictions, abolishing them unilaterally as soon as their economic and financial position would permit. Creditor countries should relax remaining restrictions where

Geneva, August 3. British charges of a new slavery organised on a mass production basis in the Soviet Union set off a bitter debate in the United Nations Economic and Social Council today on a proposed investigation of forced labour.

Amassop Arutunian, the Soviet delegate, immediately accused Corley Smith, the British delegate, of trying to emulate Josef Goebbels, the late Nazi Propaganda Minister, "by repeating the same lies and slanders which Goebbels disseminated."

He then suggested several reasons for the British charges, the most startling of which was that the accusations were a smoke screen to cover the activities of the United States Joint Chiefs of Staff now visiting Europe.

"This has been very carefully prepared to create a smoke screen for the military acts which the United States militarists are carrying out to create a unified military plan for Europe," M. Arutunian said.

The Soviet delegate said that Anglo-American ruling circles are making military preparations for purposes of aggression. The Joint Chiefs of Staff now in London are elaborating a solid, unified plan for the participants in the Atlantic Pact, he added. Mr. Smith presented to the Council a copy of the "corrective labour codes" of the Soviet Union, describing in detail how citizens of the Soviet Union may be sent to forced labour camps for political offences against the Soviet Government. He estimated that there are approximately 10,000,000 Russians working in these camps.

"Country Of Slavery"

Thus, the Soviet delegate said, was the beginning of a campaign.

BRITAIN'S DOLLAR PAYMENTS

London, August 3. Britain last month paid Belgium and Switzerland the equivalent of £7,299,000 in gold and dollars under the Payments Agreement with countries belonging to the Organisation of European Economic Co-Operation. Britain received in July £503,000 worth of dollars from Western Germany, the Treasury noted.

Sydney Campbell, Reuter's financial editor, writes: "Britain's dollar payments to Switzerland—£2,604,000 in gold or dollars—were the highest of any month yet recorded. To Belgium at £4,495,000, they were second only to the payment of £6,700,000 in June, the disclosure of which caused some surprise."

"Together the payments were a serious addition to Britain's gold and dollar payments to the Dollar Area. These payments during July were in respect of June, the last month of the previous intra-European Payments Agreement. From July 1—for settlements in August—subsequently this was replaced at the recent Paris conference by a new agreement which will limit Britain's gold losses to Belgium though not necessarily to Switzerland.—Reuter.

This would greatly help debtor countries. The proposal added that economic or financial agencies of any country hampering freer trade should be referred to the EEC. British sources said tonight that there will be particular reference to the subject of the principle of freer trade on bilateral agreements. Britain is less affected than the Scandinavian countries and some of the Continental participants in the Marshall Plan.—Reuter.

Future Of Jap Trade With Britain

Tokyo, August 3. Alan Gilbert, a member of the British Board of Trade, told a news conference today that Japan's future trade with Britain and the Sterling Area will be determined wholly and completely by how much Japan buys from them. "We cannot afford to spend a single dollar in Japan for any purpose whatsoever," he said. "We have spent in the last year about £9,000,000 more in Japan than Japan has bought from us. We must buy less from Japan until we know what Japan will buy from us."

WEATHER DEFEATED THE BBC

Deal, August 3. Wreckage of the American freighter, Lurray Victory, vanished from a sandbank in the English Channel today only a few hours before a BBC broadcast recalling the ship's disaster 3½ years ago was due to go on the air. The black funnel and superstructure of the freighter had become a landmark at the spot where it broke up a gale on January 30, 1946. Pounding seas and howling winds in the Channel apparently drove the wreckage off the treacherous sandbank. South Coast lifeboat men scoured the Channel to make sure the wreckage is not floating derelict and endangering shipping.

The British Broadcasting Corporation plans to dramatise the story of the Lurray Victory tonight in its weekly feature "The World Goes By."

The broadcast will reveal details of the daring rescue action by British lifeboat men who brought all 47 of the American crew safely off the shattered 9,000-ton freighter.—Associated Press.

London, August 3. Don Cristobal, descendant of Christopher Columbus, has been invited to the United States for the anniversary celebration on October 12 of the discovery of America in 1492, Madrid Radio reported today.—Reuter.

Passengers Panic In Burning Plane

Rio de Janeiro, August 3. Four passengers out of 30 on board and one of the crew were killed when a Brazilian airliner crashed landed in flames, airline officials said today.

A dramatic radio message—"Fire aboard. Passengers panicking. Endeavouring to force-land"—was heard just before the crash. The plane was travelling from Rio to Porto Alegre, Southern Brazil, and came down yesterday on a lonely ranch.

The airline company said later that 11 passengers and two of the crew were seriously injured. The crew member killed was a steward.

The plane was a Curtiss C-46, a mixed passenger-cargo plane, and the air company said that a fire spread from the cargo hold to the passenger compartment as the plane approached its destination. The company spokesman said that the fire was due to spontaneous combustion caused by acid, which had not been detected in the cargo when it was examined before the plane left Rio.

The dead included Senhor Antonio Leite da Costa, son of the Brazilian Justice Minister. The plane carried 30 passengers and a crew of five.

The plane was not found until several hours after the crash. The difficult country prevented search aircraft from landing near the scene, but they dropped first aid supplies. The Air Ministry said that ground search parties have already returned to the nearest village, which is 50 miles from the scene of the crash, bringing in casualties.—Reuter.

CANTONESE BY RADIO

BY S.K. LEE

Lesson 37 (N)

Vocabulary:	
348. (1) yee(1).	Clothes. Dresses.
349. (fuk) (3)fook.	Clothes. Dresses.
350. (shue) (shue)(1).	A book.
351. (po) (3)boh.	Classifier for books.
352. (shap) shup(1).	Wet.
353. (kon) gon(1).	Dry.
354. (tseng) (3)dzeng.	Clean.
355. (yung) (1)yong (or) yong(2).	Woolen cloth. Flannel.
356. (po) boh(3).	Cloth.
Combinations:	
119. (2)Yue yee(1).	A rain coat.
120. Yee(1) (3)fook.	Clothes. Dresses.
121. (2)Lai (3)fook.	Full dress. Ceremonial clothes.
122. (2)Maan (3)fook.	Evening dress.
123. Sai(2) yee(1) goong(1) see(1).	A lundry.
124. Gon(1) sai(2).	To dry clean. Dry cleaning.
125. Gon(1) (3)tseng.	Clean.
126. Woo(1) dzoh(1).	Dirty. Soiled.
127. Toy(2) boh(3).	A table cloth.
128. (1)Chong boh(3).	A bed sheet.
129. (1)M jee(2).	Not only.
130. (1)Yee cheh(2).	Moreover.
131. (1)M jee(2)... (1)yee cheh(2).	Not only... but also.
Transport and Communication:	(Continued)
143. (2)Ngaw geoo(3) gaw(3) faw(3)-ray(3) jai(1)-shoh(2)-(2)ngaw-dee(1) (1)hang-(2)lay.	I told the foki to arrange my luggage.
144. (2)Ngaw geoo(3) (2)kui jai(1) dee(1) gon(1)-(3)dzeng yee(1)-(3)fook (3)yup (3)daaye-(3)gwai.	I told him to put the clean clothes into the wardrobe.
145. Jai(1) dee(1) shue(1) hai(2) seh(2)-(3)dzee-toy(2) meen(2).	And put the books on the desk.
146. (2)Ngaw (3)mun (2)kui gaw(2)-shue(3) (2)you (2)moh sai(2)-yee(1) goong(1)-see(1).	I asked him whether there was a laundry there.
147. (2)Kui (3)wah (2)you yut(1)-gaan(1) gay(1)-hay(3) sai(2)-yee(1) goong(1)-see(1).	He said there was a steam laundry.
148. (2)Kui-(3)day sai(2)-duk(1) hoh(2) fanye(3).	They washed very quickly.
149. (1)M-jee(2) sai(2)-duk(1) fanye(3). (1)yee-cheh(2) sai(2)-duk(1) hoh(2) gon(1)-(3)dzeng.	Not only was it washed quickly but it was also washed clean.
150. Dee(1) woo(1)-dzoh(1) yee(1)-(3)fook, (2)ngaw geoo(3) (2)kui ling(1)-hul(3) sai(2).	The soiled clothes, I told him to take to be washed.
151. Yung(2) shaam(1) geoo(3) gon(1)-sai(2).	The wolen clothes had to be dry cleaned.
152. Boh(3) shaam(1) haw(3)-(2)yee shup(1) sai(3).	Cotton clothes could be washed in water.

Belgrade Accuses Russians

Belgrade, August 3. The official Yugoslav newspaper "Borba" today accused the Soviet Union of employing its "worst scum" in the counter-revolutionary campaign against Yugoslavia.

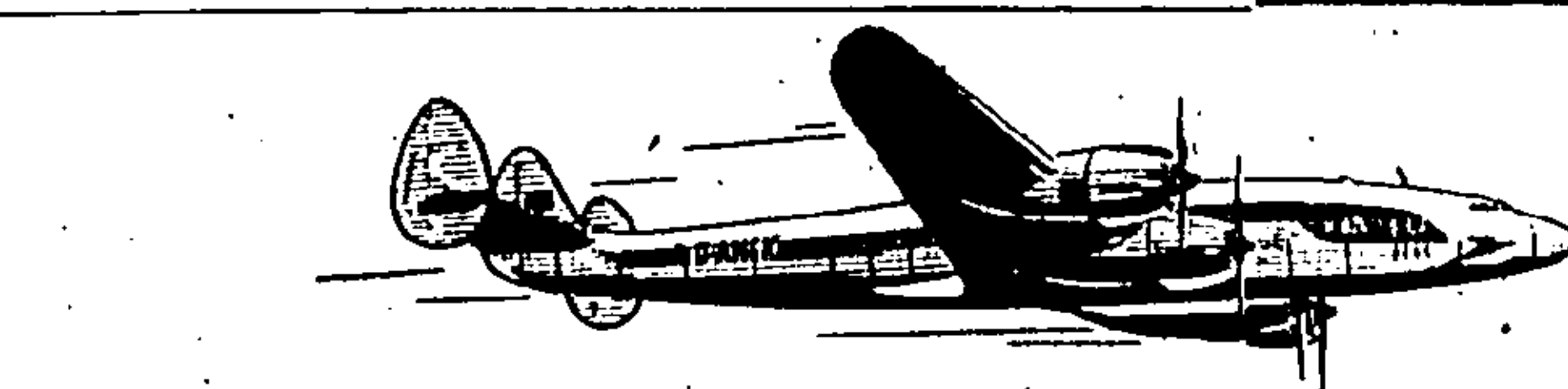
Answering a Tass agency report that Yugoslavia is brutally treating Soviet citizens in Yugoslavia, Borba accused the Russians of attempting to give respectability to "White Guards, Fascists, spies and other enemies of Socialism." It recommended that Tass ask itself: "What kind of Soviet citizens are involved?" "If Tass and its leaders told the people the truth about these paid persons and counter-revolutionaries, against whom the people of the Soviet Union have fought so many years and shed their blood, the Soviet people would surely say the people of Yugoslavia are right."

"Borba" said the Soviet leaders "deliberately forget past crimes and Fascist espionage" of these "patriots" because "they sorely need even the worst scum in their counter-revolutionary campaigns against Socialist Yugoslavia."—United Press.

Washington, August 3. The Senate today defeated a move to earmark \$1,350,000 of Marshall Plan funds for buying surplus American farm products.—Reuter.

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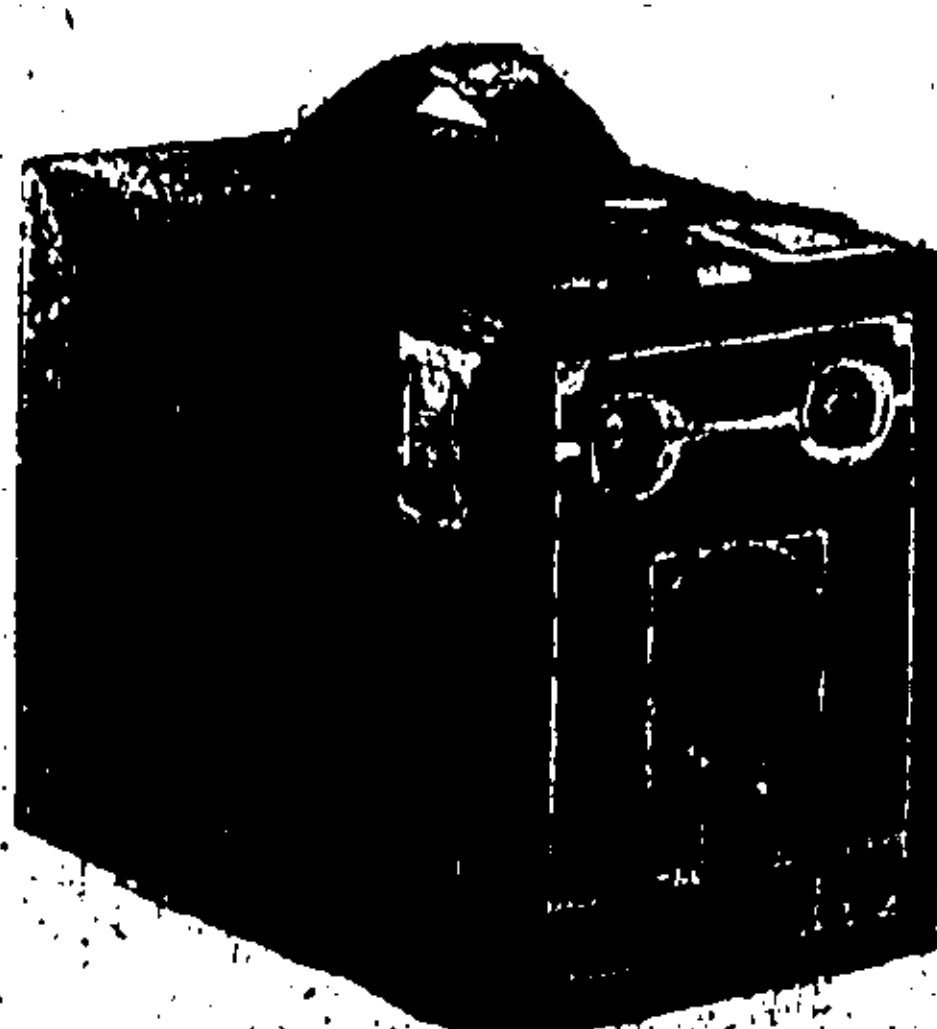


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PRIEST GAOLED FOR REFUSING LAST SACRAMENT

Prague, August 3.
A Czech Catholic priest, Father Alois Fajstl, who re-
fused the Last Sacrament to a woman Com-
munist on the ground that he was forbidden by
Vatican decree, was sentenced to eight years'
hard labour for treason here today.
In passing sentence, the State Court was implement-
ing the recent Government warning that any
Churchman seeking to carry out the Vatican
threat to excommunicate Catholic members of
the Communist Party would be treated as a
traitor.

New Byrd Voyage To Antarctic

New York, August 3.
An American naval expedition
to the Antarctic has been plan-
ned for next year, the "New
York Times" military expert,
Hanson Baldwin, reported today.

He said that it will be headed
by the veteran Polar explorer,
Admiral Richard Byrd.

About 3,500 men and eight
ships have been set aside for
the expedition, which will have
as its object the mapping of areas
of unknown territory about as
big as Europe.

If the present plans are finally
approved, the first ships will sail
in October, Mr. Baldwin said.
The expedition will establish
an advanced base in New Zea-
land and will remain in the An-
tartic for about four months
of the South Polar summer, re-
turning to the United States
about April, 1950.—Reuter.

Pitched Battle In Israel

Haifa, August 3.
Two Jewish officers and 20
other people were killed and 30
wounded today during
pitched battles between Arabs and
Druse tribesmen at a military
camp near Haifa.

The trouble began when over
100 Arabs seized a small group of
the tribesmen. When the Druses
retaliated, the Arabs began firing
machine guns and rifles, damaging
a number of houses.

A Jewish officer was killed
when he attempted to intervene.
Military police threw a cordon
around the camp and arrested a
number of Arabs. A group of
armed Druses then attacked the
convey transporting the arrested
men to prison and killed another
Jewish officer.

The Druses inhabit the moun-
tainous Jebel Druse region near
the junction of the borders of
Palestine, Syria and the Hash-
emite Kingdom of Jordan.—Reuter.

POPE LEAVING FOR COUNTRY

Vatican City, August 3.
Pope Pius XII is leaving the
Vatican by car for the Pontifical
summer palace at Castel Gran-
dolfo tomorrow evening, accord-
ing to present plans.

The large black modern Cadil-
lac in which he will be es-
corted by Italian motorcycle police
during the drive of 40 kilometres.
The Pope is likely to remain
out of Rome until at least the
end of October.—Reuter.

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Father Fajstl was chaplain of
a church in Sobranjce, Eastern
Bohemia.

The presiding judge said the
Vatican had taken sides with
capitalism and "as always, is
acting the role of a sworn enemy
of the independence of the Czech
and Slovak nations."

He added: "The Vatican ap-
pears as a foreign power inimical
to our Republic. The Vatican de-
cree is only a political action and
has nothing to do with religious
questions."

The Court found Father Fajstl
guilty of treason. The announce-
ment said that he had been cal-
led to a 67-year-old farmer's
wife, who was believed to be
dying of pneumonia, to adminis-
ter the Extreme Unction.

He refused when she admitted
that she was a member of the
Communist Party.

"Judas Treason"

In addition to the hard labour
sentence, the Court ordered the
loss of all property and of citizen-
ship rights for a period of 10
years.

A Catholic priest, Father
Boris Corocky, declared in a
Prague Radio broadcast to-
night: "The Church Hierarchy
and the Vatican are lowering
themselves to Judas treason."

"For the sake of scraps falling
from the rich table of the im-
perialists, the Church Hierarchy
is acting as the lucky and de-
fender of capitalism," he added.
It is not possible to confirm
though whether the Church re-
gards Father Corocky as ex-
communicated.

Other Catholic priests reported
today that they have received
an order sent out by a Govern-
ment agent in the Palace of Dr.
Josef Beran, Archbishop of Pra-
gue, ordering them to act against
the Archbishop's anti-Communist
policy.

Priests Stand Firm

The priests said that they are
ignoring the order, which bears
the Archbishop's seal of au-
thority.

About 12 of Czechoslovakia's
4,500 priests have now been ex-
communicated for supporting the
Government-sponsored "Catholic
Action," a Church authority
told a reporter today.

Despite the Government threat
and Communist pressure, priests
are almost unanimously support-
ing the bishops in their stand
against the State, he said.—
Reuter.

BACK IN GAOL

Morelia, Mexico, August 3.
Almost all the 72 prisoners who
escaped from the city jail here
on Tuesday night surrendered to-
day after police had besieged
them all night on a small hill
outside Morelia.

Six convicts and a policeman
were killed in the escape bid by
the prisoners, who had armed
themselves with rifles from the
police arsenal.—Associated Press.

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Gibraltar To Get New Constitution

London, August 3.
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ing for a Legislative Council,
with elected Members, is to
be introduced for Gibraltar,
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entrance to the Mediter-
ranean, according to a des-
patch from the Colonial
Secretary, Mr. Arthur Creech
Jones, to General Sir Ken-
neth Anderson, the Governor,
which was published today.
The Legislative Council,
over which the Governor will
preside, will include five
elected Members, two nomi-
nated Members, and the
Colonial Secretary, the As-
sistant Secretary and the Fi-
nance Secretary.—Reuter.

UNION'S BAN ON COMMUNIST

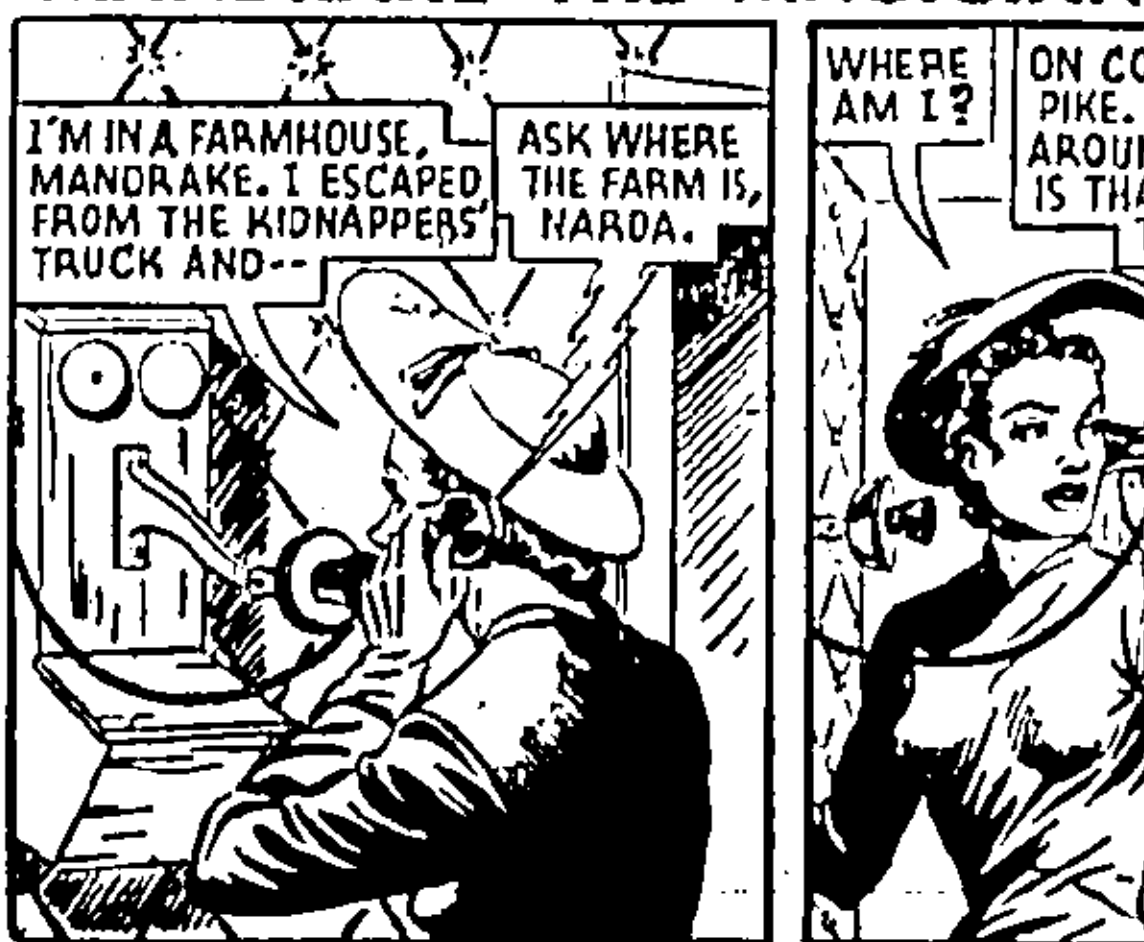
London, August 3.
A British Communist, Mr. Nor-
man Kennedy, has been banned
from holding office in his union
until May 31 next year be-
cause he was prominent in a campaign
alleging extravagant expenditure
on Clarence House, Princess
Elizabeth's new London home.
Mr. Kennedy was the London
district secretary of the Amalgam-
ated Society of Woodworkers.
He had lost his position as his
union's representative to the
Trades Union Congress next
month.

Disciplinary action was taken
by the union under a rule dealing
with charges of bringing the
society into discredit.—Reuter.

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POLICE RECONSTRUCT DARING JEWELS COUP

Nice, August 3.
The multi-millionaire Aga Khan and his Begum to-
night took part in a police reconstruction of
the armed hold-up earlier today, when four
bandits robbed them of jewellery worth more
than 150 million francs (£137,000).
Police, gendarmes and Mobile Guards armed with
tommy guns are manning road-blocks over a
wide area around the Aga Khan's villa at Le
Cannet, near Nice, hoping to trap the bandits,
who ambushed the Aga Khan's car and made
off with the Begum's jewel boxes.

The Begum tonight offered a
reward of 5,000,000 francs for
information leading to the arrest
of the robbers.

The Aga Khan and his Begum,
accompanied by a maid, had just
left their villa in his chauffeur-
driven saloon when four men,
wearing dark glasses jumped in
front of the car and menaced he
party with tommy guns.

They slashed the tyres of the
Aga Khan's vehicle seized the
Begum's jewel boxes and made
off in their own car toward
Cannes.

They did not touch any of the
jewels the Begum was wearing,
including a bracelet and a clip,
but they took her crocodile skin
handbag containing 200,000
francs.

The Aga Khan returned to the
villa and telephoned the police,
who later took statements from
all four occupants of the million-
aire's car.
The Aga Khan had noted the

The technique of the raiders
closely paralleled that of the
four masked bandits who on
Tuesday robbed the smart Van
Clef and Arpels Jewellery store
at Deauville, on the French At-
lantic coast over 500 miles across
France from Nice, of £150,000.

Aga Khan's Story

The police noted that the band-
its involved in both Deauville
and Nice hold-ups totalled four,
wore masks and carried tommy
guns. The loot incidentally was
worth the same amount in both
cases. And ironically, it is at
Deauville that Rita and Aly
Khan are awaiting the Aga
Khan.

The Aga Khan told the police:
"Four bandits had their car out-
side my villa. As we drove out
they held us up. They pointed a
machine-gun at our hearts and
threatened to kill us. There was
nothing we could do. We raised
our hands and the bandits took
all my wife's jewels."

"The four men were not mask-
ed but they wore big black
glasses. My wife and I were not
hurt. But we were powerless to
resist."

"The gangsters were ob-
viously professionals. They
must have been following us
about to know about the jewels
which were all in the car. They
comprised my wife's entire
collection. All our jewellery
was in those boxes."

The Aga Khan, who underwent
several minor operations last
year and earlier this year, has
been at Cannes since last week.
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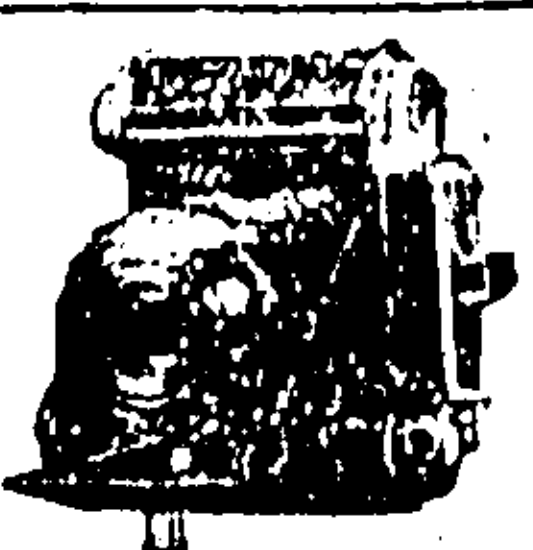
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RHYC-Royal Navy Yacht Races On Sunday

(By "RUBBINGSTRAKE")

It is intended to start the first race between the Club and the Royal Navy at 11 a.m. on Sunday. Helmsmen and their crews are therefore requested to be at the Club by 10.30 a.m. to obtain sailing instructions.

The finish of the first race will be at HMS Belfast. As boats finish, tugs will be formed and boats taken to Kellett Island for mooring during lunch, crews returning to Belfast in the towing boat.

During lunch the Club staff will sort out the boats by class and number. After lunch crews of boats that are on the same buoy will be taken by motor-boat to their boats and towed back to Belfast for the second race, which will finish at Kellett Island.

All classes will start together but will be given different courses, with a view to finishing at about the same time.

Four boats may be decreed by each team and the remaining 30 boats will be awarded points, 30/1/2 for the winner, 20 for second, 10 for third etc.

In the second race the teams will change round boats.

Professional team are: Jubilee: RHYC, Kanderley, A.N. Other: A.N. Other, RN, Heeding, Skulth, Keith Hardy.

Murderers Of Two Girls Executed

Swansea, August 4. The two Port Talbot men, sentenced to death last month at Swansea for the murder of two girls, were executed at Swansea today.

They were Harvey Jones, 22, colliery repairer, and Thomas, 26, steel-worker of Aberavon. Jones was sentenced to death for the murder on the Nantgarw mountain-side of Beatrice Watts of Aberavon in June. In his case, the jury made a strong recommendation for mercy.

MacKintosh was found guilty of the murder of Beryl Beechey of Aberavon.—Reuter.

Big Demand For Title Bout Tickets

London, August 4. With about 150,000 people applying for the 50,000 seats available, the September 6 fight between Britain's Bruce Woodcock and Lee Savold, America at the White City, London, has proved itself as one of the biggest attractions in the history of British boxing.

Jack Solomons, promoter of this "European version" of the world heavyweight championship, said: "I suppose there must have been 150,000 applications altogether, and the whole of the permitted 50,000 seats are over-subscribed."

The fight has assumed a high stature in American eyes. Colonel Eddie Engan, Chairman of the New York State Athletic Commission, and the former champion, Joe Louis, and Gene Tunney will be present, and 20 American boxing writers were expected to take the trip.

New York Fight

Meanwhile, on August 10 in New York, Joe Louis will defend his world title, American version, against Gus Leach under the promotion of Joe Louis International boxing club.

This fight is recognised by the National Boxing Association of America for the world title, but Colonel Engan's Commission has refused to give it that status.

While the New York Commission has refused to regard the London contest as anything more than a final elimination, it has suggested that the winners of the two fights should meet to produce an undisputed world champion.

Two world heavyweight champions at the same time will look rather silly, and there seems little doubt that eventually the winners will meet to decide a definite successor to Joe Louis.—Reuter.

Australian Miners' Strike

Sydney, August 4. Officials of the New South Wales miners' lodges, in conference at Newcastle today, recommended by 31 votes to 27 that the central executive of the Miners' Federation call meetings next Monday to vote on whether the 40 days' strike should end.

After the lodges' decision was announced, the Communist-controlled Northern Miners' Management Board passed a resolution by six votes to five, objecting to the lodges' delegates decision.

The final decision, they said, should rest with the Central Council.

Involving 23,000 miners, the coal strike has thrown 500,000 other people out of work and paralysed industry. The miners are seeking higher wages and shorter hours.—Reuter.

FLORET LEAVES FOR INDO-CHINA

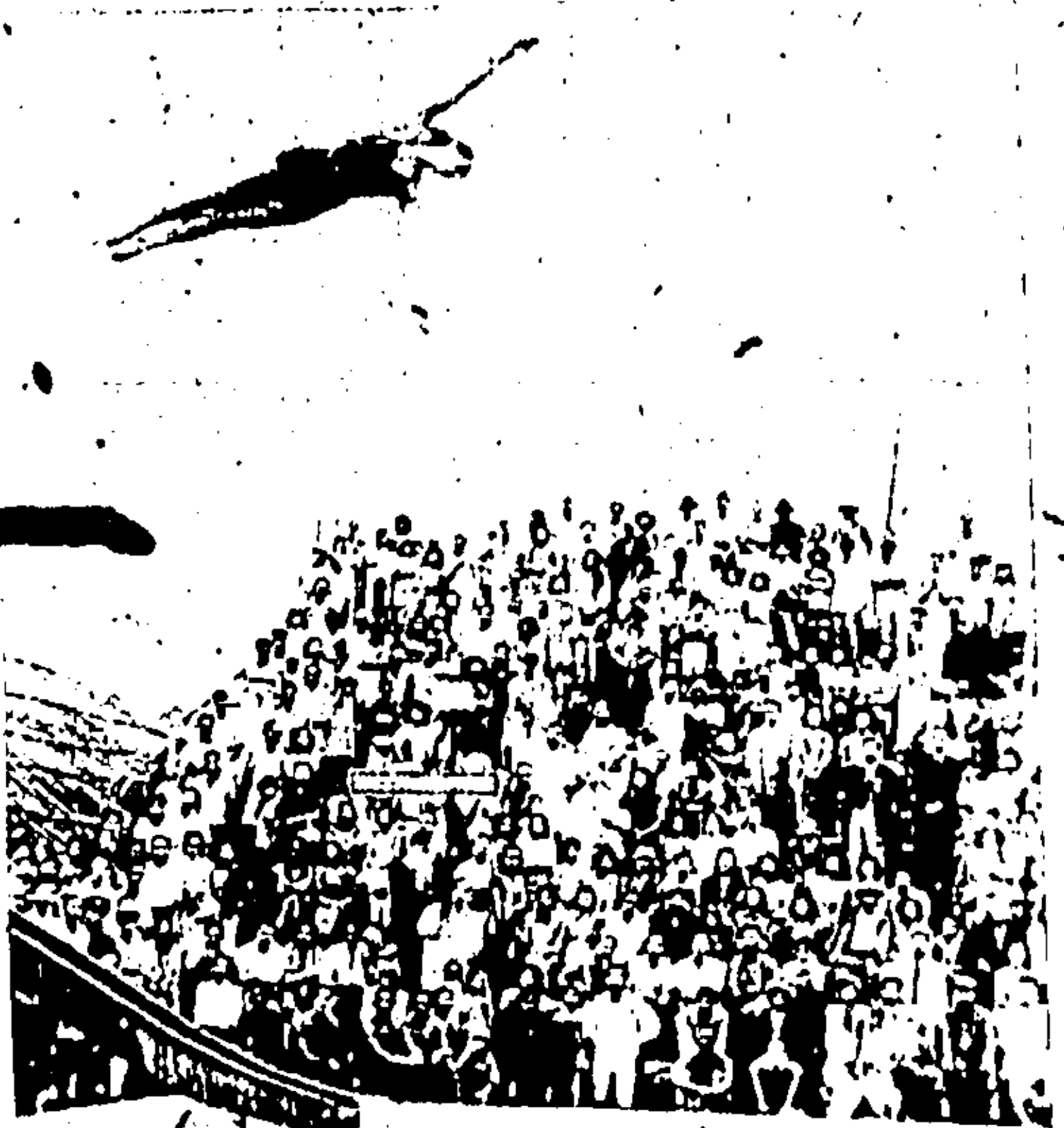
Paris, August 4. M. Paul Coste Floret, Minister for Overseas Territories, left here today for Indo-China. The object of his visit, he said, was "to pledge and to seal the friendship between France and Vietnam, Cambodia and Laos."

During his tour of Indo-China, the Minister will visit coalfields and rubber plantations, and the "benefited areas" of the country.

He expects to be back in France by August 23.

M. Coste Floret was accompanied by the Princess of Yugoslavia, who is visiting the French Union, and the French Minister of the Overseas.—Reuter.

A Champion In Action



Miss Nora Stone is shown executing a graceful half twist during Wednesday's exhibition given by Lou Bittner's "Parade of Champions" at the Ritz.—"China Mail" Photo.

Many Good And Almost Great Milers

By HAROLD ABRAHAM

Naturally, the talk among athletes all the week has been about the A.A.A. Championship mile. How could anyone have done such a wonderful time under such conditions? Is Nankeville Wooderson's successor? Have there ever been so many fine milers in England at one time. What would have happened on a dry track, or if Roger Bannister had been running?

Some of the questions are rather speculative, but I will try to find an answer.

Firstly, I think it is easy to exaggerate the advantage which might have come from a drier track. If the torrential rain which fell about lunch time had been the last, then the surface would have been well-nigh perfect.

The White City track is one of the finest in the world, but it needs a great deal of watering. As it was, it got more than enough.

In perfect conditions, Nankeville might have done inside 4 min. 8 sec.

Secondly, I doubt if anyone in England would have beaten Nankeville in this form. Bannister not excepted. But I believe that potentially Bannister is the better miler, because he is more powerful.

No one can say whether or not Nankeville has reached his zenith, but undoubtedly he will become more consistent as time goes on. He is only 24, and if circumstances permit there is no reason why he should not run in at least two more Olympic Games.

What I liked most about his performance was its quiet and effective confidence.

The winner of a race is more often than not the man with the knowledge of what he can do, and when he will do it. Nankeville's final effort from about the 300-yard mark was worthy of Lovelock—and no one can say better.

His performance must not be allowed to dwarf the others. Morris's 4 min. 11.8 sec., a time never beaten in the Championship before by any Englishman, not even Wooderson, Eyre's 4 min. 12.8, Wilson's 4 min. 13.4, and Parker's 4 min. 14.8.

Thus, including Bannister, Britain possesses six milers capable of beating 4 min. 13 this year. Sweden not excepted, I believe we could successfully challenge the world in a relay race of 4 x 1 mile.

Outlook Encouraging

The outlook is most encouraging, and what delights me most is, firstly, that we have so many good and almost great milers who can all challenge one another; and secondly, that we are at last learning to run faster miles from the gun, and also to run the second 800 at a greater speed than the first.

If our milers will train and race more over 800 yards, they will surprise themselves still more.

The benefit derived by racing over shorter distances is the acquisition of the ability to sprint, and the psychological effect of training and racing over 800 yards is that the comparatively slower speed of the mile makes seem a 60 second lap seem not so long.

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Woodcock Hurt In Lorry Accident

Doncaster, August 4. Bruce Woodcock, British heavyweight boxing champion, was injured in a motor lorry accident near here early today. He has been detained in hospital.

Woodcock was due to fight the American, Lee Savold, for the world heavyweight title in London on September 6.

Woodcock has a slight concussion and minor head injuries. It was stated this morning that he was fairly comfortable and would be given a routine X-ray examination.

With a friend, Ted Green, who was slightly injured, he was driving a lorry which he uses to convey training equipment when the lorry skidded on a bend and struck a tree.—Reuter.

Dodgers Beat Bucs, Cards Win

New York, August 3. The Brooklyn Dodgers' pitching staff, stumbling and inept only a week ago, reached the season's peak of efficiency today as Carl Erskine hurled the Dodgers to a 5-1 win over the Pittsburgh Pirates.

The victory was the fourth straight for the rebounding Dodgers.

Erskine, 22-year-old right-hander up from the Texas League and without a previous win this season, was the fourth straight Dodger pitcher to do the job. Erskine had only one out in the seventh, when he yielded four runs, three on a homer by Pete Castiglioni.

Third place New York Giants kept their big drive rolling by whipping the Cubs, 4-1, in Chicago for their sixth straight win. Kestel gave up only five hits to gain his seventh victory.

Today's scores were:

AMERICAN LEAGUE			
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Detroit Tigers	5	9	0
New York Yankees	7	10	1
Chicago White Sox	2	3	1
Philadelphia Athletics	3	8	0

NATIONAL LEAGUE			
	R	H	E
Philadelphia Phillies	0	2	0
Cincinnati Reds	2	8	0
New York Giants	4	8	1
Chicago Cubs	1	5	0
Brooklyn Dodgers	5	x	x
Pittsburgh Pirates	5	x	x
Boston Braves	0	4	0
St. Louis Cardinals	7	8	1

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LAWN BOWLS TEAMS

The following will represent the Hong Kong Cricket Club in a Lawn Bowls game against Cranston Cricket Club at Chater Road tomorrow:

D. Phillips, T. Faltburn, R. H. Wild, A. W. Brown (Skip), A. F. Hamlyn, L. Wood, E. J. R. Mitchell, A. E. Hawkins (Skip), F. C. R. Black, A. S. Erson, H. F. Shields, W. Williamson (Skip).

The following have been selected to represent the Hong Kong Football Club in their Lawn Bowls game against Kowloon Bowling Green Club at Happy Valley tomorrow:

G. S. Brown, L. Strange, C. Carr, M. N. Rakusen (Skip), L. F. Hamlyn, A. McAlpine, T. Pile, B. L. Blackford (Skip), J. S. Howell, E. Strange, J. A. R. Selby, N. J. Bebbington (Skip).

OLIVE CONFERS WITH SEBALD

Tokyo, August 4. Mr. William B. Olive, former United States Vice-Consul in Shanghai, who last month was held up and held incommunicado for three days by the Chinese Communist authorities, conferred with General MacArthur's diplomatic chief, Mr. William J. Sebald, on his way through Tokyo today.

Mr. Olive and his wife flew from Okinawa this morning and are expected to fly to the United States via Honolulu tonight.

Mr. Olive flew out from China on August 3 with Dr. J. Leighton Stuart, United States Ambassador to Nanking, who is proceeding to the United States.

Mr. Sebald told the press that Mr. Olive was upset and nervous and was still suffering from the effects of his ill-treatment.—Reuter.

Syd Brown Scores 200 Against Kent

London, August 3. The weather was a little kinder to cricket today for in the nine first class matches which made a start today only four were interfered with by rain at one time or another.

The highest score of the day went to Syd Brown, who scored exactly a double century in Middlesex's total against Kent at Canterbury.

The close of play scores were:

At Cardiff: Glamorgan 233 (Robinson 73); Royal Air Force 29 (for 2). There was no play after ten owing to rain.

At Chesterfield: Gloucestershire 198 (Robinson 82 not out, Gladwin 5 for 53); Derbyshire 126 (for 7). At Canterbury: Middlesex 262 (for 7 declared (Robertson 71, Brown 200); Kent 8 for none.

At Hastings: Sussex 273 (Cox 79); Nottinghamshire 48 for one.

At Manchester: Northamptonshire 100 (Greenwood 6 for 35); Lancashire 112 for one.

At Leicester: Leicestershire 279 (Howarth 57); Yorkshire 54 for none.

At Worcester: Hampshire 238 (McCorkell 55, Perkins 5 for 83); Worcestershire 80 for none.

At Southend: Essex 223 (Vigar 53, Insole 59); Surrey 150 for 2 (Squires 0, not out).—Reuter.

Off To Good Start

Worcestershire's opening pair then got off to a good start and when play closed were only 14 behind with all wickets intact.

Fourth placed Yorkshire, led by Norman Yardley, put Leicestershire in to bat on a pitch softened by heavy rain, but it played fairly easily and Leicestershire passed the 250 mark before being dismissed. Fred Fretwell reached his 50 in an hour and 35 minutes.

Surrey, who are making a strong bid for the Championship, were favourably placed after the day's play at Southend against Essex.

In spite of a fine innings by Douglas Insole, who missed his second century in successive innings by only one run after batting two and a half hours and hitting 12 fours, and a bright 50 by F. Vigar, Essex were all out for 223, and Surrey, although losing Laurie Fishlock in Trevor Bailey's early over, required only 68 runs for the lead.

Harry Squires and B. Constable had then put on 136 for the third wicket, both being unbeaten.

Northamptonshire failed to cope with the off-spinners of Lancashire's Peter Greenwood, whose six for 35 was his best performance in first class cricket. He was ably supported by R. Berry, the left arm bowler, who took three for 22.

A spokesman of the Mongolian and Tibetan Affairs Commission stated earlier that the action of the Lhasa authorities was "unlawful".—Reuter.

TIBET'S EXPULSION OF CHINESE

Canton, August 4. The Chinese Government will issue a statement shortly regarding the expulsion of Nationalist officials from Tibet, according to a Chinese press report today.

The Cabinet yesterday was reported to have discussed this problem following the receipt of a telegram from the Lhasa authorities.

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